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The Editor's Page

By President
David O. McKay

Three hundred forty-six years ago a proclamation was issued to a little group on the bleak shores of Plymouth to meet and worship and render thanksgiving to God. That has been said to be the first Thanksgiving in modern America.

It is well for us to think on that for which those Pilgrims had to be thankful. They had landed in the previous November, in 1620, and many had to live on the *Mayflower* throughout that winter, for they had neither suitable clothing nor shelter. Many of their number died that first year, and yet those sturdy Pilgrims had gratitude in their hearts for the blessings of God.

They had not forgotten his Divine Providence in their behalf. They had not forgotten their faith and their freedom, and the privilege of worshipping God as their consciences dictated.

Gratitude is deeper than thanks. Thankfulness is the beginning of gratitude. Gratitude is the completion of thankfulness. Thankfulness may consist merely of words. Gratitude is shown in acts.

I think it is well for us to consider our attitude toward blessings for which we should be most grateful, not just such temporal blessings as our harvests and our profits. Our thanksgiving might be entirely selfish, if we are thinking only of the success that has attended our investments, if we are grateful only for good crops, if we are going to express thanks only for sufficient income to pay our taxes.

The observance of Thanksgiving Day should be, in the best sense, religious. When President George Washington issued the first proclamation of thanksgiving, he called attention to reliance upon God.

It might be well to review the feelings and emotions with which we approach Thanksgiving Day. There are some with whom things have gone well. The family circle has remained unbroken. No wasting sickness has come into their home. Prosperity has left its blessing. The festive table is laden with plenty. There is meat in the larder and grain in the storehouse. Because of these things, they imagine they are grateful; but such gratitude is the essence of selfishness. It finds its basis in circumstances; it draws its inspiration from clear skies and smooth sailing, and hence it is as fitful and efflorescent as the alternations of sunlight and shadow. If these conditions of personal comfort and prosperity are in themselves the grounds for thankfulness, where in the hour of adversity shall we find occasion for rejoicing?



A True

The record of the past has its graver side. There have been pain and losses, and disappointments and bereavements, and heartaches. Where in those things are there reason and grounds for gratitude? Has the emptyarder, the bare table, the desolate home, the vacant chair, the first mound in the cemetery no place for thanksgiving?

This is the point of stumbling with many an earnest soul. We find in the bitter chill of adversity the real test of our gratitude, which, triumphant over conditions merely physical and external, finds its ground of thankfulness in God himself. It is independent of circumstances. It goes beneath the surface of life, whether sad or joyous, and finds itself upon God.

Laying aside the thought of prosperity, let us consider some points for which everyone, rich or poor, well or sick, may express gratitude. The realities in life, after all, are the things that bring joy and happiness; and too many people in the world fail to appreciate these realities.

One great reality for which we should be thankful is life itself. Life is a mystery to most of us, but all should be grateful for it. Life is the highest gift that God can give to men. And there is no person so poor, so crippled, who should not be grateful for such a gift.

A second great fundamental for which we should be grateful is the free agency God has given us—freedom and liberty vouchsafed by the fundamental law of the land.

As this Thanksgiving Day approaches, I am thankful to know that members of the Church and so many

people generally, realizing the fact that material possessions alone do not give happiness, are appreciating more than ever before those things that are of most value. I am happy to enjoy with my friends these most worthwhile possessions. To name only a few, I would say that I am most grateful:

First, for a noble parentage and a worthy name.

Second, for an abiding faith in a Supreme Being and in the divinity of Jesus Christ.

Third, for the abilities and opportunities to enjoy the gifts of God as manifest in nature. All the beautiful things of creation are mine merely for the seeing and the seeking.

Fourth, for affectionate family relationships—loved ones and loyal friends. He who has even one friend is rich, and I have many who have proved themselves true and loyal.

Fifth, for opportunities to render helpful service in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

And above all, for the knowledge that a kind and loving Father will give helpful guidance to all who seek him in sincerity.

Let us always express gratitude for opportunities to render helpful service in the Church—service to our fellowmen, not to self. If you would be happy, make somebody else happy. This is a fundamental law of Christ, and the Church is so organized that every person has an opportunity in some organized way to render service to somebody else. Remember that “inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.” (Matt. 25:40.) ○

Thanksgiving

The Era Asks

Seven Questions of Latter-day Saints In Congress

PART 2

Ten Latter-day Saints serve in the present U.S. Congress—three senators and seven representatives. Because of their important public positions and wide influence, we continue their thought-provoking responses to some questions of relevance to Latter-day Saints.

Q—How do you feel about the Supreme Court decisions on obscenity?

Congressman Clawson of California—This question deals specifically, of course, with the rights guaranteed in the First Amendment, wherein it states, among other things, "Congress shall make no law . . . abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press . . ." and the Fourteenth Amendment, which provides that "no State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States. . . ."

There appears to be no question about the preemption of the areas of speech and press freedom by the Constitution itself. This, then, leaves us the problem of obscenity, its definition, and at what point speech and press become obscene in the constitutional sense. The majority of the members of the Supreme Court have held that a state may not constitutionally inhibit the distribution of literary material as obscene unless "(a) the dominant theme of the material

taken as a whole appeals to a prurient interest in sex; (b) the material is patently offensive because it affronts contemporary community standards relating to the description or representation of sexual matters; and (c) the material is utterly without redeeming social value."

Interpretations and opinions will again differ from individual to individual, community to community, and state to state. The diffi-



culty of legislating in the field of obscenity has always been apparent to legislators on all levels of government whenever they have attempted to come to grips with the problem. Regulation rather than

prohibition might be much better, with proper concern for juveniles and the right of privacy of the individual from unwilling exposure to offensive material. To be included also would be the methods of sale and distribution.

Although I am not a lawyer, I have frequently been critical of Supreme Court decisions, but on this subject, the state and local governmental jurisdictions must avoid legislating in the field of free expression, whether oral or literary. Over and over again, the concern, distress, and anxiety of the local community over the publication, sale, and distribution of obscene and offensive material, whether in the form of personal or public performance, movies, publications, or any other means, has been assuaged through the firm and constructive action of an aroused citizenry.

Education in the development of high standards of morality, ethics, and cultural appreciation is the best tool for combating obscenity and all of its peripheral problems. The

imagination and initiative of members of civic and service organizations of any given community can, in my humble opinion, devise methods and pressures to deal with such problems on the local level whenever the desire for improvement is strong enough.

Congressman Hanna of California

—In this line of Supreme Court decisions, I see the great challenge that faces our American society; that is, how to maintain the highest

level of freedom and at the same time maintain a level of conduct that encourages the production of a morally strong citizenry. Where the level of conduct is held high by adherence of the people on a voluntary basis, a voluntary commitment arises out of individual good taste and is driven by individual desire for the highest order of living, and when individual responsibility for conduct is appropriately assumed, the minimum level of law enforcement is required in those areas which impinge upon morality. But when individual voluntary commitment is lowered, when substantial segments of the population are willing to accept lower standards of behavior, when good taste does not prevail in bringing individual restraint, then other elements in our society whose sense of decency is thereby offended will press strongly for a greater encroachment of law enforcement into the fields of moral behavior.

If this occurs, true freedom in these areas will be eroded and

Most of the statutes on obscenity turn out to be a struggle with semantics, and when it is all over, the basic question, however expressed, is still one of taste and a level of acceptable conduct. These are most difficult to express in the rigid language of criminal statutes. Therefore, it is my opinion that the Supreme Court decision on obscenity correctly admonishes a very cautious approach to those who seek the answers to these questions of moral behavior in the sterile and inflexible language of the criminal articles.

Congressman Moss of California—

The Court has not, in the case of obscenity, drawn precise lines. In fact, the Court has become enmeshed in a quagmire forcing it to deal with the question of obscenity on a case-by-case basis, which inevitably will lead to an obscurity of definitive lines.

Congressman Hansen of Idaho—

I believe that no individual can adequately develop his talents without complete freedom of self-

sions have not maintained this balance.

Senator Moss of Utah—The Court has not drawn the right line between freedom of expression and the right of communities to outlaw pornography, and I deplore it. As we know, for many years it was illegal to send obscene literature through the mail or to sell it in bookstores or on newsstands. Now the Supreme Court has held that some of these books have social value and are protected under the First Amendment. The decisions are based on fear of censorship, since the first act of a dictator is to limit free speech and free press.

There are, however, several bright spots in the picture. First, the Supreme Court recently upheld a lower court decision to fine and jail a New York publisher for publishing an obscene magazine because the advertisement blatantly described the contents of the magazine in question as obscene. Second, a federal court in Iowa has recently convicted a California publisher for publishing obscene literature, and this case will now come before the Supreme Court. Furthermore, the Court indicated in one decision that laws passed by states to keep pornographic literature out of the hands of juveniles might be constitutional. I hope the individual states will act on this.

Under a bill now pending before the Senate, a citizen may ask the Postmaster General to order the sender of erotic or sexually provocative literature to refrain from sending any further literature, and parents can ask that a similar order be entered for their children. ➔



Beginning at far left:
Senator Wallace F. Bennett, Utah;
Congressman Laurence J. Burton, Utah;
Senator Howard W. Cannon, Nevada;
Congressman Delwin M. Clawson, California;
Congressman Richard T. Hanna, California.

diminished. This is, in my judgment, very unfortunate, for it is in these fields of moral behavior that close and careful definitions, which make the application of criminal statutes acceptable or even tolerable in an open society, are most difficult.

expression, but it must certainly be pointed out that there is a difference between liberty and license. If certain individuals abuse their freedoms to the extent that they harm others, they are, in effect, infringing on the rights of others. There cannot be true liberty for all when license is allowed or encouraged. In this light, I am concerned that recent Supreme Court deci-

Q—How essential is compromise in political decision-making?

Senator Bennett of Utah—The word "compromise" has come to have a bad connotation, which it does not deserve. In a body like the Senate, made up of a hundred men,

ministration. Factors reflecting partisan politics are nearly always present. Then, of course, there is the constant potential conflict created by variations in the interests of the state a senator represents, divisions of opinion with the

I refer to those incorporated in the 13th Article of Faith: honesty, truthfulness, chastity, and similar virtues. In any given situation, either a man tells the truth as he knows it to be, or he does not; he is either honest or he is not; he is

"You cannot be a good Latter-day Saint without being politically active."

each with his own background and his own opinion, any legislation, in order to secure the needed 51 percent of the votes to pass, must be the result of compromise. Sometimes there is general agreement on the basic form of the legislation, and the compromise involves details. Sometimes there is head-on disagreement on the problems and philosophy of the legislation, and in that case compromise becomes more serious.

Those who feel that "compromise" is a bad word tend to see it in such a phrase as "to compromise one's principles." People who hold that view tend to regard people who do not agree with them as either having no principles or having surrendered them. Actually, in my long experience in the Senate I have come to realize that when people who have this kind of an idea talk of principles, they are really talking of their self-interest. They are not talking about the basic aspects of character and integrity. Sometimes they are saying that a person who does not agree with their interpretation of a situation has compromised his principles.

The factors to be weighed in the inevitable compromise change with every problem. Some are economic, some social, some matters of ad-

state or party, what might be called national interest, and the personal philosophy of government a senator may hold.

Congressman Burton of Utah—

The original meaning of "compromise," and the one that particularly applies to the legislative process, is "a settlement by arbitration or by consent reached by mutual concessions." As one might suspect, there is hardly any issue that comes before the House of Representatives that all 435 members would completely agree upon. In truth, many if not most of the bills that are enacted into law are a synthesis of varying points of view.

For my own part, I have often

either chaste or he is not. I do not believe that it is in any way necessary for a legislator to be less principled than persons engaged in other callings. But—and this is the point that should be understood—an effective legislator can and does compromise with respect to certain legislative goals without doing violence to his personal integrity.

Senator Cannon of Nevada—Compromise is an absolutely necessary ingredient of the decision-making process in a democratic form of government. It is the only way by which the needs and demands of divergent sections of the country can be satisfied. It is also the only way by which conflicting view-



found it necessary to vote for measures that embody less than the ideal for which I may have hoped. I have done this because, in my judgment, the measure in question represents the best that the House would approve, and, as a practical matter, "half a loaf is better than no loaf at all."

I am certainly not unmindful, however, that there are certain absolute values that cannot properly be the subject of compromise.

points can be merged in agreement. The job of a member of Congress is to view the entire problem and make an equitable decision as to how our nation's needs can best be met.

This decision should not and need not involve an abandonment of principles, but without compromise the governmental processes could not function, and in most instances legislative action could not be accomplished.

Congressman Hansen of Idaho—

A breakdown in the principle of compromise—and therefore a breakdown in good government—occurs when a political party in power is so strong numerically that it can ride roughshod over the thoughts and opinions of its opponents without giving them due consideration.

Congressman Clawson of California—

I prefer to eliminate the word “political” and discuss compromise and decision-making in a general sense, inasmuch as all decision-making involves “compromise,” even in the councils of the Church. The degree of toughness that one holds to a position depends upon the issue and the factors surrounding it.

I have tried to follow a strict personal guideline that when matters of judgment are involved, compromise is often required. If the decision imposes a deviation from principle (integrity, rightness, honor, justice), then compromise cannot be countenanced. On the federal legislative level, some of

Q—How does political life afford new dimensions for expression of personal integrity?

Congressman Hansen of Idaho—

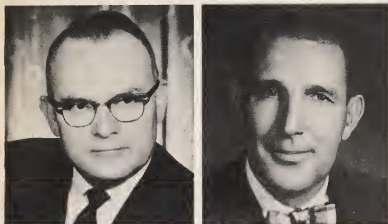
Political life affords new dimensions for expression of personal integrity by allowing public officials and aspirants to public office considerably more latitude than they would generally experience as private citizens. Because of this, it is often easy to abuse newfound privileges and immunities that may go with the office. Generally, however, there is a great challenge to an individual, who now is responsible, not only to himself but also to the people he represents and to the nation, to conduct himself in a manner above reproach and to weigh the issues more carefully and in greater depth before arriving at decisions on them.

Senator Bennett of Utah—It seems to me that the basic principles of character that can be summarized by the phrase “personal integrity” should apply in all activities of life, and while the pressures and temp-

congressman should represent the opinion of his constituency, if it is possible to ascertain what the majority will is.

However, there are other situations in which it is necessary to vote one's convictions. For example, I voted in favor of the Civil Rights Act of 1963, which I viewed as a moral issue, in spite of the fact that my mail was overwhelmingly in opposition. On questions of labor-management relations, education, taxation, and other controversial issues, a congressman has the responsibility, in my opinion, of deciding what is best, and not what is politically expedient. After all, good citizens expect leadership as well as representation from their congressmen.

I believe this is the true test of personal integrity, and I acknowledge that two persons, equally honest, might disagree on the definition of personal integrity. For example, one might decide that it is his responsibility to vote the apparent desires of his constituency while the other might decide that it is his responsibility to vote his convictions based on honest study, and to let the chips fall where they may. There is perhaps no other form of activity in which personal integrity is challenged more often than in the field of politics.



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Congressman George
Vernon Hansen, Idaho;
Congressman Sherman P.
Lloyd, Utah; Senator
Frank E. Moss, Utah;
Congressman John E.
Moss, California;
Congressman Morris
K. Udall, Arizona.*

the factors I use include: Is it constitutional? Is it necessary? Is it in the public interest? Is it within the province of the federal government, or should it be at some other governmental level? And even such a mundane factor as, “Can we afford it?”

tations may be a little different in political life, certainly there are none that are new or unique.

Congressman Lloyd of Utah—I believe that even good men operate within the context of their personal interest, but they also recognize a larger context. I am often asked the question, “If your personal convictions were in conflict over the wishes of your constituency, how would you vote?” There are many questions on which I believe the

Q—What advice would you give the thousands of Latter-day Saints as they enter politics on the local, city, state, and national level?

Senator Moss of Utah—Become an active member of a political party! That is the best advice I can give to those entering the active years

of citizenship. Almost every voter sees the election in which he feels he must scratch his ticket, but the task of governing the nation is done largely by our political parties. Those who vote only in general elections exert little influence for either good or bad. Candidates are selected and ideas put into platforms through mass meetings, conventions, and primaries. Only through them can men of integrity and devotion to the public good be put on a ticket. Many a law or political career has been germinated in a meeting of a small group of interested citizens determined to move their party. If you do not participate, you leave to others—often those with axes to grind—the determination of the future of our country.

Congressman Clawson of California—May I say that you cannot be a good Latter-day Saint without being politically active, whether or not you hold office. Read carefully the instructions in the Doctrine and Covenants regarding the selection of public officials. If this counsel is followed, then you are in politics.

Congressman Burton of Utah—I know of no other church that places such heavy emphasis on good citizenship as does our own. But to make democracy really work, all members of the body politic must participate in it. Every year in thousands of school board, city council, and county commission meetings, highly important decisions involving budgets of millions of dollars are made and approved with scarcely any citizen interest whatsoever. This is a shame!

Senator Cannon of Nevada—I would urge Latter-day Saints to apply the principles that they carry with them through life in the conduct of their activities at every political level. These principles have been tried and tested and have enabled countless Latter-day

Saints to make valuable contributions to our way of life. My further advice is to apply the principles of fairness and justice to politics in a manner that will make these virtues as meaningful in the political arena as they are in day-to-day life. And there is no effective substitute for active membership and participation in the political party of one's choice. Only through such an organization can ideas be put into motion and find their expression in our laws.

Congressman Moss of California—Be informed, fully and carefully; be compassionate; be willing to be unpopular if need be in order to render service. Entering politics with the idea of always being popular is a dangerous thing. I personally have been well guided through my years of political service by the words of Edmund Burke: "But his unbiased opinion, his mature judgment, his enlightened conscience, he ought not to sacrifice to you, to any man, or to any set of men living. These he does not derive from your pleasure, no, nor from the law and the Con-

stitution. They are a trust from Providence, for the abuse of which he is deeply answerable. Your representative owes you, not his industry only, but his judgment; and he betrays, instead of serving you, if he sacrifices it to your opinion."

Congressman Udall of Arizona—Running through my personal philosophy, and doubtless underlying my approach to problems of government, are fundamentals that my church teaches and represents: the value of the individual, the importance of man's free agency, the belief that problems can be overcome with goodwill, intelligence, and hard work, the vital necessity of our free institutions, respect for authority, and the idea that we are our brother's keeper. By using these and other teachings of the Church, Latter-day Saints should be able to make an immeasurable contribution to mankind. ○

(Note: The first response on page 27—October, Part 1—is from Congressman John E. Moss instead of Congressman Richard T. Hanna.)

Faith

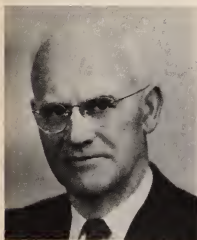
By Solveig Paulson Russell

*In late autumn woods the trees are bare,
And soggy dead growth is everywhere.
No bird song trills, no rabbit leaps.
Far underground the gopher sleeps.*

*Here is no promise of fragrant spring,
No clue to say that earth will fling
A glad new garment, fresh and green,
Over this quiet, lifeless scene.*

*But deep in the silent roots there lies
The making of God's planned surprise.
Here miracles of growth, tender and bold,
Will, in appointed time, unfold.*

The LDS Scene



U.S. Indian Claims Commissioner Retires

Former Utah Senator Arthur V. Watkins has retired as chief commissioner of the Indian Claims Commission, an appointment made by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1959. The former Sharon (Orem, Utah) Stake president and weekly newspaper publisher is wellknown nationally for his contributions to water resource development and his chairmanship of the select committee to study censure charges against Senator Joseph McCarthy in 1954. In his honor the Arthur V. Watkins Integrity-in-Congress Award, to be given each year to a deserving senator or congressman, has been established. The *Washington Post* recently editorialized: "This country is deeply grateful to Mr. Watkins. At a time when the orderly conduct of government was in grave peril from the wild and seemingly uncontrollable prairie fire known as McCarthyism, the unassuming Senator from Utah brought the

nightmare to an end. . . . Few episodes in recent history have given the country a stronger feeling of mingled pleasure and surprise." Brother Watkins now plans to write his memoirs.



Home Run Champion

Harmon Killebrew, first baseman for the Minnesota Twins baseball



Number One Middleweight

Don Fullmer, No. 1 ranking middleweight boxing championship contender of the World Boxing Association, dodges blow of Teddy Wright in a ten-round match held at Weber State College, Ogden, Utah. Twenty-eight-year-old Fullmer, Explorer leader in the South Jordan Third Ward, West Jordan, Utah, and younger brother of Gene Fullmer, former world middleweight boxing champion, won by unanimous decision. He will meet Italian Sandro Mazzinghi December 8 in an elimination bout for a chance at the championship.

team, tied for the American League home run title, with 44 home runs this season. Elder Killebrew, a member of the Ontario (Oregon) Ward, joined the Church in February 1966. He has

been American League home run champion four times, once the league's runs-batted-in leader, and is the 14th all-time home run hitter in baseball with a total of 380 home runs.



Many Farms Project

A few of the more than 200 participating Indians who helped harvest 12 different crops on the Church's Many Farms project near Chinle, Arizona, survey their labors. The project, a modern community development concept similar

to early Mormon colonization patterns, is sponsored by the Southwest Indian Mission and is designed to teach Indians to cooperate and work together. Proceeds from the 60-acre farm go to the project.

Within the Heart

By Ida M. Barkan

●Karen's eyes fell on the forgotten note Jody had placed on the dresser the day before. "A note from the teacher," Jody had explained, withdrawing to her room and to her solitude. Karen wondered how soon Jody would resume her normal way of life. Or was

this normal under the circumstances? In all her reading and discussion she had never explored the subject of a child's grief in the face of death. How long did a child mourn? Karen tore open the envelope and read:

"Dear Mrs. Wilson: I would appreciate your coming to see me at your earliest convenience—between 12:30 and 1:00 or after school, whichever is better for you. Sincerely, Mary Jackson."

Your earliest convenience. Miss Jackson knew about Art's death and would not ask for a consultation unless it was urgent. Perhaps Jody was not doing well in



Karen

arithmetic again. Art had always helped her with her problems, Karen thought. She would go to the school today. If Jody needed help with her lessons, she'd help her. She would have to be both father and mother to the child.

Karen had tried to appear brave in front of Jody. Because children were impressionable and sometimes had amazing memories, Karen had made an effort to prevent Jody from accumulating too many unhappy memories of this tragic period, even if it meant smiling when her heart was crying, speaking when she wanted to weep. Jody had withdrawn almost from the hour of her father's death, eating her meals in silence, then leaving for school or for her room. But now Karen decided she would get a job; they would resume life together, the two of them. How thankful Karen was that she had Jody. She should have adopted another child. Children should have brothers or sisters, but Art's poor health had kept her from adding to his responsibilities. She smiled faintly, a trace of joy entering her sad heart at the thought of the beautiful relationship between Art and Jody.

Approaching the school two hours later, she recalled the homework sessions Art and Jody often had together. A high school teacher, Art had spent most of his adult life with children and had a deep love for them. To Jody he had been father, teacher, adviser, companion. Now Karen felt inadequate to fill the many vacancies left in Jody's heart by his death. Undoubtedly Miss Jackson would tell her that Jody was not doing her schoolwork satisfactorily. What could one expect of a child who had recently lost a father?

But Miss Jackson had no fault to find with Jody's schoolwork. "It is strange," the teacher said, the lines in her forehead deepening, "how the child has completely withdrawn from everybody."

"Wouldn't you expect her to?" Karen instantly regretted her impatience.

"No." The teacher's eyes were wide and frank. "This is your child's first experience with death. But I have seen many children under similar circumstances. None of them have behaved this way. It isn't natural after so many weeks. A child so young usually cannot resist the surge of life. She should be out there playing with her friends, instead of brooding by herself as she is probably doing right now."

"But she was so close to her father." Karen had the odd feeling she was arguing with herself. Reluctant to express her own concern at Jody's detachment, even afraid to admit it, she now agreed there was something odd about Jody's behavior. Wouldn't you think a child, upon losing one parent, would be drawn closer to the other?

"We had a wonderful relationship with our daughter," Karen said quietly, rising and slipping on her

Mrs. Ida M. Barkan, wife of a cantor in the Agudas Achim Synagogue in San Antonio, Texas, wrote this story after viewing a similar incident involving a friend's adopted child.

felt inadequate to fill the void in Jody's heart.

gloves. "Our daughter is adopted. An adopted child is sometimes more welcome and more loved than one born to parents. Don't you agree?"

"I am sure you love your child dearly." Miss Jackson rose, too. "I hope you will be able to pull her out of this appalling gloom."

Appalling gloom. The words rolled over in her mind as she walked home. Incredible that such a description should apply to her usually sunny, cheerful, happy child. Incredible, too, that Jody did not cling to her mother these past weeks. At first, too involved in her own grief, Karen had failed to notice. Then she tried to convince herself it was a passing mood. Well, who says the teacher knew everything? Some children may lose a father on one day and go out to play the next day, but not Jody. Not her clever, intelligent, devoted Jody.

But something had to be done. Should she ask directly, "Jody, why do you keep away from me?" From the start she had used the direct approach. The child knew that she was adopted. Karen spoke of it freely, openly, and often, even though this had elicited vehement criticism from some, especially from her friend Hattie, herself the mother of two adopted children. Karen tried not to think now of Hattie, whose recent coolness and neglect still touched a sore spot. When Jody had asked, "Why don't we see Aunt Hattie any more?" Karen replied, "She moved away." But six blocks could hardly be called "away."

Karen still could not understand Hattie's attitude. "But why mustn't we speak of adoption openly?" Karen had asked. "This is a problem we all have, those of us who have adopted children."

"It is no problem!" Hattie objected. "Yes, children should be told. But we shouldn't bring it up at every opportunity! You treat this as you would any delicate subject. But you shouldn't constantly harp on it. I don't care to have my children reminded often that they are adopted."

They did not see eye to eye, but was that reason to break up a friendship? Karen had not realized how much she missed her friend until Hattie came to visit her after Art's death. If Karen hoped they would resume their former relationship, she was wrong. Days were followed by weeks and Hattie did not come again.

Karen did not remember just when she had first discussed the matter of adoption with Jody, but she recalled one day when six-year-old Jody, while eating her supper, asked, "Does Mrs. Norcross next door have a baby growing under her heart?"

"Yes," Karen said.

"Is that where I came from—inside you?"

"No, darling. I adopted you, you know."

"Why didn't I grow in you?"

"For some reason a little baby couldn't grow in me. Remember when we planted our garden—the carrots, tomatoes, and peas? Some grew and some did not. Sometimes babies grow in a mamma and sometimes not. When you did not grow in me I went to the institution I told you about, where there are babies whose mamas can't keep them, and I picked the prettiest, the sweetest one—you!"

"Mommy, can I have more cookies?"

There are times in one's life, Karen reflected, when memories come up that have no direct relationship to the incident that brings them up. Why did she recall the sad day when Spotty, their dog, was killed by a car, leaving a two-week-old litter of four? "What will happen to the puppies?" Jody had cried, her heart broken.

"I'll send them to an institution where the people will take good care of the puppies until they find homes for them, with families who love puppies."

"Just like me! Did the mamma who borned me die? Do the mamas of the 'stitution babies die, like Spotty did?"

"Not always, dear. Sometimes they do. Sometimes the mamas are too sick to take care of the babies, and sometimes they have no daddies. A baby must have a daddy and a mamma to love her, to take care of her. That's what makes a family—a daddy, a mamma, and a child."

Karen unlocked her door, entered the house, and knew that she would not go job hunting today. In the back of her mind, painful thoughts persisted. She had to go through Art's closet and dispose of his clothes. Each time she thought of it she couldn't bring herself to go to the closet. But she'd have to do it. Perhaps tomorrow, after Jody left for school. She must not let Jody see her in distress. Jody must see her calm and brave. Karen must do her crying during the nights, with face pressed into her pillow.

At Art's desk she picked up the cards of condolence she had not yet acknowledged. Ten years of teaching in one school added up to a great many students, and Art's affection for his students had resulted in unending friendship with them. She picked up a card, but instead of the words on it she saw her daughter's sad face. How could Karen pull Jody out

of her depression? Troubled, she gazed through the window until her eyes rested on her next door neighbor, Mrs. Norcross, heavy with child, walking toward her four-year-old son in the yard. With a half-formed thought Karen left her desk and crossed the path to Mrs. Norcross. Hesitantly, she briefly outlined her problem, and together they conspired to get Jody out of the house that afternoon. "I hope it works," Mrs. Norcross said.

"Thank you for your willingness to try."

She now stood by the window, watching Jody strolling down the street until Mrs. Norcross called to her. The two exchanged some words, and with a smile Jody hastened toward her home.

"Mamma," Jody said, "Mrs. Norcross wants me to take care of Paul. She is tired and wants to lie down. May I?"

"Of course. Have your milk first."

At the table Karen closely studied Jody's face, which slowly started losing its animated look, assuming the brooding, unhappy expression that had covered it for over a month. "Do women always get tired when they are going to have babies?"

"Most of the time." *Oh, ask more questions, Karen thought to herself. Say something, anything! Don't withdraw from me, my darling!*

"I remember, Mamma, when Mrs. Norcross was going to have Paul, and you told me the baby was under her heart."

"Yes. That's where babies grow."

Jody rose slowly and headed toward the door. Without a word or backward glance, she left. Karen looked after her, unhappy, confused, at a complete loss. *What has happened to my child? She avoids me! She distrusts me!*

She forced herself to Art's desk, answering the condolence acknowledgments until it grew dark. Time to get dinner ready. She put two steaks in the broiler, set two places at the kitchen table, and glanced through the window to see whether Jody was coming. The yard was empty. She fixed a salad in the wooden bowls that Jody enjoyed and glanced out again. Undecided, she reached on the shelf for a package of instant mashed potatoes, then determinedly put it back and left the kitchen to go next door. She must not appear distraught. Slowly she crossed the path that connected the two houses. She knocked, then entered the kitchen. Mrs. Norcross was seated in a rocker, reading to her son.

"Where is Jody?" Karen asked.

"Isn't she with you? She left about 30 minutes ago."

A wave of apprehension crept over Karen. She half turned toward the door, then wheeled back, staring at Mrs. Norcross. "She never goes anywhere without telling me."

"She may have stopped with some neighbor." Mrs. Norcross tried to sound hopeful. "Why don't you ask? I'd go, but . . ."

"That's all right. I'll go right away."

She rang the bell of one neighbor and the next one, until she had inquired in all the eight houses on both sides of her street. She finally dragged herself back toward her own home, thinking that now she must



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call the police. In front of her house she saw a worried Mrs. Norcross waiting for her.

"She's not there," Karen said, tonelessly. As she slowly walked to the door, she heard the telephone ringing. She dashed to answer.

"Karen? . . . This is Hattie."

"Yes?" Happy as she was to hear from Hattie, this was no time for social calls.

"Jody is here."

Her knees buckled but she forced her voice to sound normal. "I couldn't imagine where she had gone. I'll be right over for her."

"I'll bring her to you, if that's all right. Tom is home and I can leave now."

Karen placed the receiver on its cradle and eased herself into the chair. Inert, her strength leaving her, she sat in the quiet, dark house, trying to get her thoughts in order. No amount of thinking could explain why Jody had gone to Hattie. A gentle knock on the door brought her to her feet. Mrs. Norcross was at the door.

"Your house was still dark. I wondered . . ."

"Jody is at a friend's home. My old friend, Hattie Scott."

"Scott? That's the name Jody asked me to look up in the telephone directory. Then she wanted to know where Briggs Street was. She didn't know it was only six blocks away."

"Mrs. Scott moved there recently. We hadn't been to her home yet."

She turned the porch light on for Mrs. Norcross and was glad to be alone again, groping for the elusive threads of thoughts that might weave some pattern into this maze of confusion. Six blocks would not take long to cover, and soon they would be here and Karen would know all. Her impatience was mingled with misgivings. Alerted to their footsteps, she was at the door and on the porch before they reached the first step. Under the light she saw that Jody had been crying and that Hattie's eyes, too, were misty.

"Jody, darling!" She drew the child to her. "I've been so worried!"

"Karen, Jody had a little snack." Hattie's voice had a sound of urgency. "Don't you think she ought to go to her room and get undressed now?"

"A good idea," Karen said. "Put on the new nightie and show Aunt Hattie how pretty it is." With Jody out of the room she turned to Hattie, anguish in her eyes. "What happened?"

"I don't know how to put it to you gently. She simply appeared at my door saying she had run away and asking if she could live with me."

"What—are you saying?"

"I was just as surprised as you. Jody said that

since I have two adopted children already, I could have three."

"I don't understand. I don't understand at all!"

"I do—now. Jody will tell you. I think you'll do better to talk it over without me. And why don't you come over for lunch tomorrow. It's been a long time, Karen."

Karen hurried to Jody's room, feeling more unsure of herself than she had since she was a child. Jody was sitting on the edge of her bed, fumbling at the ribbons on her new nightie.

"Jody," she said, seating herself beside the child and trying to keep the hurt out of her voice. "Why did you run away from our home?"

"'Cause I didn't want to go back to the institution," she cried. "You're not going to send me back, are you? Aunt Hattie said you never would."

Brushing a hand across her stinging eyes, Karen asked: "Why should I?"

"You told me," Jody spoke falteringly, "that the mother who gave birth to me gave me away because she had no daddy for me. Now my daddy is dead, and I didn't grow under your heart. I thought, if I could stay with Aunt Hattie, because she has adopted children too—I'd still be close to you. And I could still see you sometimes."

"Jody! Jody, baby!" Karen was on her knees, arms wrapped about the child. "Whatever gave you such an idea?"

She started to cry. But Jody needed reassurance now, not tears.

"You had a daddy. For ten years you had him. When you were a little baby, a tiny one, you needed a daddy to help bring you up. He brought you up beautifully, better than any other daddy could have done. I know you'll always remember the daddy who helped make you what you are. Give you away? I need you, darling, more than I ever did. We've lost daddy. We can't lose each other, too. What would I want to live for, without you?"

Karen felt two little hands, one pressing on each of her cheeks. She saw two large, misted blue eyes staring questioningly into her own eyes. "You love me that much . . . even if I did not grow under your heart?"

"More, darling. More. You didn't grow *under* my heart—you grew *in* it, so very, very deep in my heart, and I love you more than anything in the world!"

Suddenly the child began to sob, the sounds of a dam finally broken by the force of pent-up emotions. "Oh, Mommy!" she cried.

With Jody cradled in her arms, Karen found her own tears finally flowing freely, and she murmured, "My little girl—my darlingest treasure!" ○

The Presiding Bishop Speaks About The Sacrament

By Bishop John H. Vandenberg

Would you go back with me to that first sacrament meeting in which the Master presided. Before this meeting, the Savior knew that his great suffering and sacrifice was now but a few short hours away, and so he gathered to him the men who had walked with him for the three years of his ministry—the men whom he loved so dearly. These last peaceful moments he wanted to share with them, even though he knew that one of them had already bargained for his life, and that the others would, as he stated, “be offended because of me this night.” (Matt. 26:31.)

What he was to accomplish that night and in the ensuing hours was beyond their immediate comprehension. Yet the Master realized how greatly his sacrifice was to affect them and all who had lived or ever would live upon the earth. And thus, to cause the apostles and all of the people of his Church to reflect seriously and periodically on the events that were shortly to transpire, the Savior introduced the sacrament. It was a very sacred ordinance, so sacred that it was instituted by the Master himself. It was prepared and blessed by the Savior during that first sacrament meeting.

Matthew records this event with these words: “. . .

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Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body.

“And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;

“For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.” (Matt. 26:26-28.)

Today, following the restoration of this ordinance, the Savior has authorized the bearers of his priesthood to act in his stead in blessing these sacred emblems. In this dispensation, young men perform the same function with regard to the sacrament as did the Savior; it is a sacred responsibility and trust.

You young men who bear this responsibility, do you administer, prepare, and pass the sacrament with the thought in mind that you are literally performing the same functions as the Savior did? And does this thought assist you deacons in keeping reverent throughout sacrament meeting, and in passing the sacrament with dignity and respect? With this thought, are you teachers more conscious of being prompt, in having the sacrament prepared well in advance of the beginning of the meeting? And do you priests feel a special responsibility as you call upon the Father in solemn prayer while administering these sacred emblems on behalf of all assembled?

The responsibility with the sacrament isn't limited to the sacrament table or the chapel—it reaches into every moment of our lives. A person must be worthy not only to partake of the sacrament, but priesthood bearers must also be worthy before they can participate in this sacred ordinance. President McKay referred to this as he addressed the body of priesthood bearers at a general conference. With regard to the sacrament, he said, “I strongly urge that this sacred ordinance be surrounded with more reverence, with perfect order; that each one who comes to the House of God may meditate upon, and silently and prayerfully express appreciation for God's goodness. It is up to you bishops to see to it that the sacrament is administered only by boys and young men who are worthy to attend to this sacred ordinance, and that it is done reverently, with a full understanding of its significance to them and to the audience.”

From these words of our Prophet, it is clear that the Lord guards this right of handling the sacrament and views it as a sacred privilege. Each young man who holds the priesthood has the responsibility of living worthy to participate in this ordinance. And bishops will need to rely on their Aaronic Priesthood quorum presidencies in the determination of the week-by-week worthiness of these young men.

The sacrament is a wonderful, sacred ordinance

—it's not just the passing or administering of bread and water. It's a priesthood function, and as such, it carries with it a grave responsibility. The Old Testament tells us of a man called Uzza who was struck dead for carelessness in carrying out his instruction concerning the sacred possessions contained in the Ark of the Covenant. It is just as grave an offense for a priesthood bearer today to fail to understand the sacred nature of the sacrament to which he is attending. For a better understanding of the sacredness of the sacrament, let's look a little closer at its meaning.

Shortly after Jesus introduced the sacrament in the meeting to which we previously referred, he walked to a small wooded area called Gethsemane, and there he commenced the greatest of all sacrifices for you and me. In the garden, on the cross, and culminating with the rising from the tomb, the Savior brought the resurrection to all mankind and an escape from the spiritual death brought about by our sins, for those who would qualify through repentance and baptism.

It is difficult to truly envision all that he has done. But without his great sacrifice, life would be without hope or purpose. To further understand his suffering and sacrifice, let's read his own words: "For behold, I, God, have suffered these things for all, that they might not suffer if they would repent;

"But if they would not repent they must suffer even as I;

"Which suffering caused myself, even God, the greatest of all, to tremble because of pain, and to bleed at every pore, and to suffer both body and spirit—

and would that I might not drink the bitter cup, and shrink—

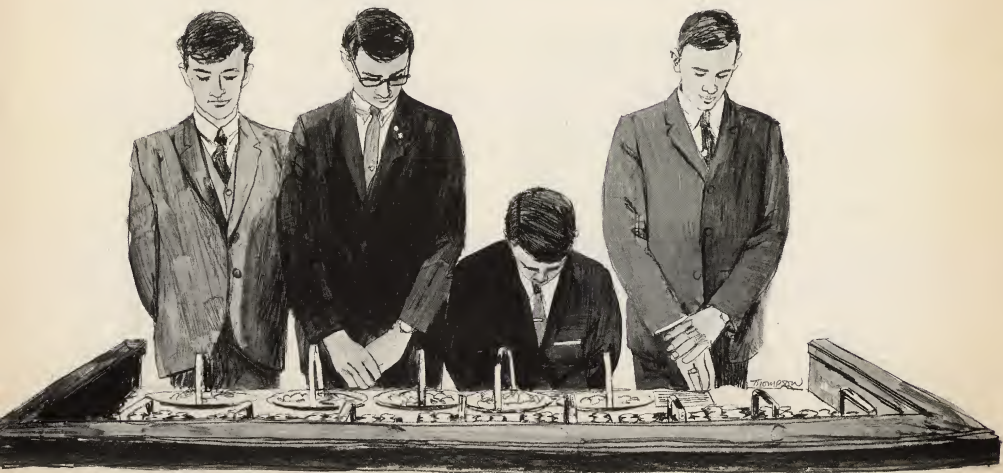
"Nevertheless, glory be to the Father, and I partook and finished my preparations unto the children of men." (D&C 19:16-19.)

When we partake of the sacrament, it is this great contribution he has made to our lives that we should keep foremost in our minds.

Through the sacrament, members of the Church recommit and re-focus their lives. President McKay said this about partaking of the sacrament: "What a strength there would be in this Church if next Sunday every member who partakes of the sacrament would sense the significance of the covenant made in that ordinance; if every member were willing to take upon him the name of the Son, to be a true Christian, to be proud of it, and always to remember him in the home, in business, in society, always remember him and keep his commandments that he has given them. How comprehensive the blessing, and how significant the covenant we make each Sabbath day."

Young men of the Aaronic Priesthood, you who are charged with the responsibility of the sacrament, study its meaning, its sacredness, and the sacred responsibility that comes with this great privilege. ○

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The custom of giving thanks to Deity for the blessings of the year is almost as old as known history. Three thousand persons witnessed the Jewish Feast of the Tabernacles, complete with its rituals, choirs, and festivities at the time of the harvest. Thankfulness and thanksgiving are recurrent themes of the scriptures.

The ancient Greeks and Romans had such a season, too, but it is said that they gave thanks for the victorious battles over enemies, for contests that puffed and flattered their pride, and for material good fortune. Ancient times of thanksgiving were known among natives of the South Seas.

In England thanksgiving was a harvest festival, and the struggling colonists of the New World saw the hand of Providence in their daily acts. Among the early thanksgivings in America was one held by the sturdy people of Newfoundland in 1578. The short-lived Popham colony at the

so that life-sustaining crops could be raised? Earlier that year, as the future looked bright, there had been a scourge by the crickets and the long-to-be-remembered deliverance by the sea gulls.

At last the harvests were in, and a harvest feast was held August 10, 1848, under the bowery in the center of the Old Fort, now Pioneer Park. Everyone was invited, and everyone able to be there was there!

In the words of Elder Parley P. Pratt: "... we partook freely of a rich variety of bread, beef, butter, cheese, cakes, pastry, green corn, melons, and almost every variety of vegetables. Large sheaves of wheat, rye, barley, oats, and other productions were hoisted on poles for public exhibition, and there was prayer and thanksgiving, congratulations, songs, speeches, music, dancing, smiling faces, and merry hearts. In short, it was a great day with the people of these valleys, and long to be remembered by those who had suffered and waited anxiously for the results of a first effort to redeem the interior deserts of America, and to

make her hitherto unknown solitudes 'blossom as the rose.'" (Journal History, Aug. 10, 1848, p. 2.)

As the evening's light disappeared into the west and the more vigorous saints continued dancing, others visited together, recalling similar days at Winter Quarters and "back home in New England" where many had first heard the gospel and, believing, had cast their lot with the Church. The consensus was probably that this first thanksgiving in the valley was "the best ever."

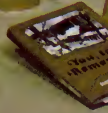
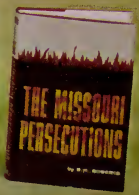
And may each thanksgiving be "the best ever" now—as blessings are recounted, determinations renewed, eternal goals reset, as we "in every thing give thanks. . . ." (1 Thess. 5:18.) ○

By Albert L. Zobell, Jr.
Research Editor

mouth of Maine's Kennebec River knew thanksgiving in 1607, and the Pilgrims of Plymouth marked December 20, 1620, "for safe deliverance from the perils of the sea, for the goodly land awaiting . . . , and for the birth of a son to one Susannah White, December 19." Governor Bradford in 1621 called what is usually regarded as the first thanksgiving in the United States.

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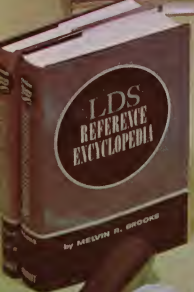
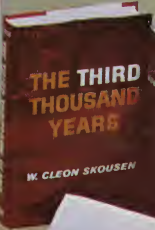
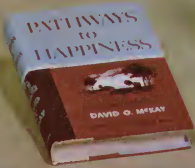
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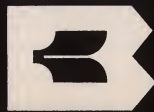
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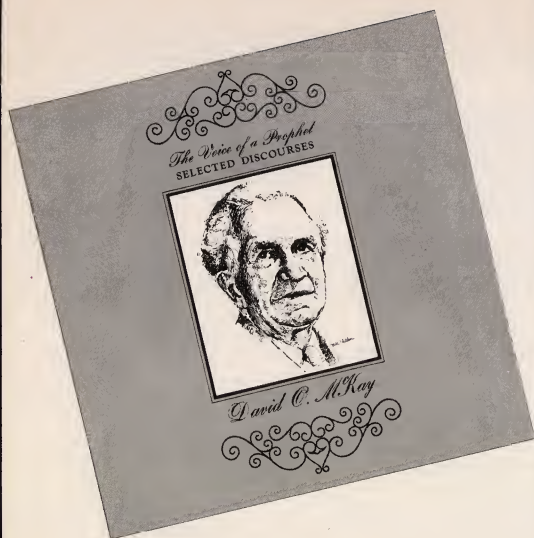
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Best of Movies

By Howard Pearson

● Ivan Tors, who is being characterized in the movie and television industry as the successor to Walt Disney in production of family movies, presents a delightful film in *Gentle Giant*.

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By now, the television series that was patterned after it—*Gentle Ben*—has been seen in millions of homes. In fact, the film actually was the pilot on which the TV series was sold.

Gentle Giant tells the story of a seven-year-old boy who, while playing in a forest preserve, sees poachers kill a mother bear and kidnap the animal's cub. The boy sees where the poachers take the cub; he watches it grow into a giant adult animal that is mistreated by the poachers. Feeling sorry for the bear, the boy wants his parents to buy it from the poachers.

After obtaining the animal, the boy runs into a series of misadventures. His father also obtains a job as a game warden in Florida's wilderness area. The bear, meanwhile, has been released in the Everglades, but the boy is eventually reunited with his pet.

Little Clinton Howard is the boy in *Gentle Giant*, as is he also in the TV series. Dennis Weaver, whose father image is one of the nicest in the entertainment industry because he has been such a good example in Hollywood life, is the father. Vera Miles is the mother

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in the movie, but she isn't in the TV series.

Other films that should appeal to all members of families include Walt Disney's *The Happiest Millionaire*, starring Fred MacMurray, Greer Garson, and Tommy Steele; *Thoroughly Modern Millie*, which has met with favorable response from a majority of audiences, who

are delighted with Julie Andrews, Carol Channing, and Mary Tyler Moore, as well as the songs; *Palaces of a Queen*, a documentary on the royal residences of Elizabeth II and the masterpieces of art contained in many of them; Walt Disney's *The Gnome-Mobile*, a delightful fantasy about gnomes and the California redwoods; *The Perils*



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The Spoken Word

Up Days and Down Days

The moods of people, the degrees of encouragement and discouragement, are all cause for concern. All of us have high and low points in life; and knowing this, we should not become too discouraged merely because we are discouraged. "One who expects completely to escape low moods is asking the impossible . . .," said Dr. Fosdick. "Like the weather, [life] is essentially variable . . . [and] a healthy person believes in the validity of his high hours even when he is having a low one." In all this up and down, there is something of the inner man, something beyond what one can see on the surface. There was never any significant accomplishment of any kind that did not come with overcoming, nor has anyone ever found a way to live an always level, even life. The up days and the down days, the happiness, the heartaches, and even the deep depressions are all part of the changing pattern. And if we permit circumstances, difficulties, or moods to conquer us, we can't be happy, because we feel defeated. And so, what is called for is faith, courage, confidence—the confidence that comes with a sense of rightness within. Rightness of conduct gives confidence. Sincere prayerfulness gives confidence. Useful work gives confidence. Honest relationships with others give confidence—not having to explain, not having to avoid, being fair in facing facts, with faith in a divine plan and pattern and a willingness to find it and fit into it. "Do not avoid, but seek the great, deep, simple things of faith," said Phillips Brooks. "In all your personal life, . . . it is more thoroughness and depth that you need in order to get . . . peace. . . . You must be thankful that life is great and not little"—with assurance that even on the most depressed and disappointing days you can find the light that will lead you out again from the low points of life, and remembering that all of us have our difficult days. To cite a previously quoted source: "While each of us, therefore, has depressed hours, none of us needs to be a depressed person."

*Harry Emerson Fosdick, *On Being a Real Person: Mastering Depression* (Harper & Bros., 1943).
*Phillips Brooks, *The Light of the World and Other Sermons: The Seriousness of Life* (E. P. Dutton & Co., 1890).

*"The Spoken Word" from Temple Square, presented over KSL and the Columbia Broadcasting System September 10, 1967. Copyright 1967.

of *Pauline*, based on oldtime melodrama situations; *Tammy and the Millionaire*, telling the further adventures of the delightful teenager; and *To Sir, With Love*, featuring Sidney Poitier as a schoolteacher among underprivileged young people of London.

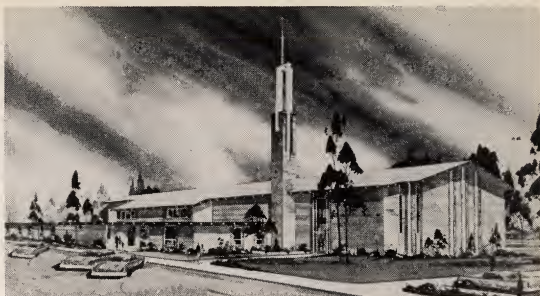
The motion picture scene also features several movies that are suitable for most members of the family, but probably would bore very young audiences because of the subject matter. Among these are *The Taming of the Shrew*, a superb and shortened version of the Shakespeare comedy, which preserves the robust atmosphere of the comedy and is presented against the background of colorful settings and excellent photography; *In The Heat of the Night*, which probably will be nominated for an Academy Award and deals with current social conditions in a most gratifying manner; and *Romeo and Juliet*, a ballet feature presenting the Royal Ballet of London.

One film that we reviewed in a recent issue of the *Era* deserves further mention. It is *The Young Americans*, the heartwarming story of the selection, training, and travels of the group of singers who have appeared in many parts of the country.

This is a family film that features a story with simplicity, inspiration, wide appeal, and wholesomeness. In addition to its general good quality, it features as one of the principals Gordon Harkness, who was a member of the first Young Americans group and who is now serving on a mission in London. Elder Harkness is from Van Nuys, Calif. Other young people shown in the film seem to be equally representative of the best in youth today. ○

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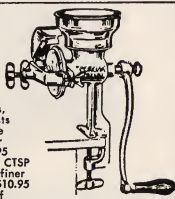


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By Val Camenish Wilcox

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For instance, when a visitor attends our Relief Society meeting and I know I must rush right home to rescue the casserole from the oven, I try to remember her. When my son brings home a timid friend for the first time just as I am dashing off to an appointment, I try to remember her. When a new family is being introduced into the ward at sacrament meeting, I try to remember her. I don't recall her name. Her face has long since faded in my memory. But what she did for me I shall always remember.

It was many years ago that my husband and I, with our infant son, moved into a small southern Nevada community. Since my husband was the new schoolteacher, we felt sure that everyone knew who we were. It would just be a

matter of time before we would get to know them, too. My husband was full of enthusiasm for the predominantly Latter-day Saint town. Though I was equally enthusiastic, I was still suffering some insecurities accompanying my new motherhood, and so I had a few anxieties about a whole new life full of strangers.

We arrived in midweek, but I felt I shouldn't wait until Sunday to "brave the lions." So I dressed our baby son in his finest, put him into a stroller, and started down the main and almost only street toward the post office. Surely this was a logical place to run into some new friends.

The postmistress was gracious, but busy. The few other persons I saw on the street nodded pleasantly enough, but, except for one, had no time even to introduce themselves. "Oh, well, I'll be meeting them at church on Sunday," I consoled myself. However, my need to be welcomed had not been satisfied at all. As I walked along I rationalized to myself. After all, no one had

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*On the other side of sorrow
Lies a honey-golden land,
With heads of clover nodding
While the tall trees stand
Ringed in a strong maternal peace,
With hand in leafy hand.*

*On the other side of sorrow
The world grows kind and small.
Its streams are bright with wel-
come,
And its brown birds call
From berry-laden hedges
Their convocalional.*

*Always the woods of sorrow
Have a path that tunnels round,
Past the boles of black trees mouth-
ing
To the meadow's tranquil ground,
Past the thorny branches reaching
To the skylark's upward sound.*

*Somewhere in leaf-dimmed sun-
light
That gentle path is found.*

♦

Reverie

By Solveig Paulson Russell

*I dream of home, where far away
I learned to work and love and
pray.
My dreams are patchwork dreams—
Gay bits or patterned ones with
sober seams
Or brightly stitched with tender
mirth,
Embroidered with the hearthstone
threads
That gave me birth.
My patchwork dreams can comfort
me
And somehow help recovery
If I falter—and always when
I judge and jar in the world of
men.
Then values that my mother knew
In memory come clearly through
The bits of dreams; and for me
then*

*My course is righted, and it seems
I find a beacon in my dreams.*

been unkind, and what did I expect anyway?

But despite my usual level head, my heart ached as I made my way back up the street to our bleak basement apartment. The day was bright enough under the Nevada sun, but my spirit withered in its

unfamiliar glare. Defiantly, I felt I had done my best to be friendly. Now it was up to them—the whole town.

"Hello there!" I heard the heart-felt greeting wonderingly. Looking up, I saw a tall, angular woman striding toward me. Her large

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Richard L. Evans

The Spoken Word

" . . . for I have done good work"

W e may sometimes suppose that other people's work is altogether easier than ours. Or we may sometimes suppose that some occupations, some assignments are always glamorous and exciting or freer from problems than they are. But of this we may be sure: There is no man whose profession or occupation is free from problems, and there is no solid pursuit which does not require preparation, and no position which doesn't have within it tedious routine and repetition at times. "There are dirty jobs, dull jobs, devastating jobs," said Channing Pollock, "but I think there can be few, even of these, that do not give some return outside of the pay-envelope. . . . The unhappiest people I know," he continued, "are the idle people. I've seen them all over the world, . . . fighting boredom, . . . chasing sunshine. . . . I never can understand why so many of us are actually afraid of work. . . . Nobody ever did anything well, or got anywhere, without joy in his job. . . . It seems to me sometimes that [our] greatest contribution to life [is] our conception of labor as something dignified and desirable for everyone. . . . We can have neither progress nor prosperity, neither opportunity nor democracy, while any considerable number of us regard work as an enemy."¹ Life was made for doing, for learning, for action, for activity, for being a productive, creative, participating part. The body, the muscles, the mind, were made to use and not to stagnate or waste away with a minimum of output or activity. Leisure is not the ultimate end or the ideal. And there is no person who receives full satisfaction from his work who always feels that he is doing someone else a favor, when, in fact, the opportunity of work is essential to life's satisfaction—and even salvation in the fullest sense. "I know what happiness is," said Robert Louis Stevenson, "for I have done good work."²

¹Channing Pollock, *The Adventures of a Happy Man: Work Is Its Own Reward*. Published by Thomas Y. Crowell Co., 1939.

²Robert Louis Stevenson, quoted by Channing Pollock, *ibid*.

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warm hands did much more than shake my hands; they enfolded them. We continued up the street, talking eagerly. It was as though we were meeting again after a long separation. Too soon we were at my door. Here was one person I wanted to remember, so I asked, "May I know your name again? You've been so kind."

"I'm Mrs., wife of Reverend, and it is you who have been kind. You see, this is my first morning in town, and I have found that most people are too busy to do more than nod. Thank you for taking time to say more than just, 'How do you do.' Since meeting you, I really feel much more welcome here."

How we laughed when I told her that it was also my first morning in town. There we were, probably the only two strangers in the whole place, and we had found each other and met each other's needs.

The reverend's church did not prosper, and shortly afterward they moved away. In fairness to the townspeople, I must say that as we met in the normal course of events, their welcome was warm and genuine. Looking back, in my youthfulness and eagerness it was probably I who expected—perhaps needed—their welcome to be effusive as well.

Recalling all this, how well I know that newcomers need welcoming. Now, whenever I see a hesitant smile, a small overture of friendship, I meet it gladly. And whenever I find myself in the role of newcomer, I don't wait for others to make the first move. I am the one who approaches a prospective friend with outstretched hand and willing smile. People usually rise to the enthusiasm of others, I've discovered. I have made some wonderful friends much sooner by taking the lead as the reverend's wife once did with me, bless her. ○

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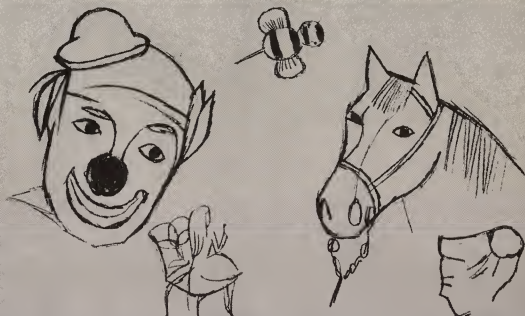
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By Elaine V. Emans

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The coming of it, or the reason why.
Happiness surprises
The one in need of it and the one expecting
Recurring good,
Until the realizing of it merges
With gratitude.



Richard L. Evans

The Spoken Word

"... find a way, or make one"

A hundred times every day," said Albert Einstein, "I remind myself that my inner and outer life depend on the labors of other men, living and dead, and that I must exert myself in order to give in the measure as I have received, and am still receiving."¹ Along with dependence on Divine Providence, it is true and humbling that all of us are dependent upon other people—upon the pioneers, the explorers, the discoverers, the patriots of the past; upon the inventors and developers and investors; upon the products that others have produced; upon the skills and services and faithfulness and integrity of untold people who have made possible our past and present. Someone has to do everything; someone has to learn, to work, to save; to do research, to plan, to risk, to believe; to develop, to produce; to increase competence; to remain solvent, to perform profitably. We owe much to many, and there is infinitely much yet to be done everywhere in the world, and any attitude that overly emphasizes ease or idleness is shortsighted and unsafe. We need a sense of history, a re-examination of purposes and principles: of why we have what we have, with respect and gratitude to those who gave us what we have, and the good grace to pass it on, improved upon if possible, remembering that there is no sweeping, easy solution to anything, ever. When Admiral Peary was disabled with the agony of frozen feet, which threatened to defeat his heroic effort to reach the North Pole, he wrote on the wall of his miserable shelter, "I shall find a way or make one."² Earlier he had said: "I shall put into this effort everything there is in me—physical, mental, and moral."² This is the spirit of those who have made history. We have come by the trial and error and anguish and effort of others, and just waiting for history to happen is not enough. As did our forebears, we must help it to happen, for the right principles, for the right purposes, and "find" a way—or make one.

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Buffs and Rebuffs

Camp Oakcrest

Someone goofed! As I read the article in the May "Era of Youth" titled "Crestwood Camp," and as I looked at the pictures, I noticed that this was the very same camp that I went to this summer. The name is Camp Oakcrest. Also, the authors didn't mention the wonderful job that the counselors do. Without them, the camp would be a total failure.

Denise Deleuw
Sandy, Utah

President McKay's Editorial

President McKay's editorial in the August issue was just wonderful. I would hope that it could be brought to the attention of all who are facing problems in their marriages.

Josephine S. Patterson
Salt Lake City, Utah

Hezekiah's Tunnel

I was fascinated with the article "Hezekiah's Tunnel" (August). The detailed descriptions, biblical references, and beautiful photographs really made the past come alive.

Virginia Maughan Kammerer
Seattle, Washington

Helpful to Librarians

May I express my enthusiasm for the new format that began with the January issue. For those of us who, as ward and stake librarians, prepare and maintain reference clipping files, our job is much easier with the new format. The mark that indicates the end of the article is extremely helpful.

Alta N. Hunt
Chicago, Illinois

Authors Write

Concerning your purchase of some of my poetry for future use in the *Era*, I want you to know that I have been very happy, and have felt a considerable pride, in having my work appear in such an excellent and attractive magazine. I have been fortunate to have many poems, stories, and articles published in a great variety of magazines, but I can truly say that the *Era* is my favorite and to my mind excels all others. You might consider this tribute even more when I tell you that I am not a member of your church, although I admire it and its rules of conduct. So did my late husband. He used to say if he had not been born a "good Scotch Presbyterian," he would have been a Mormon—and I agreed!

Mrs. Angus Robertson
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Thank you for the beautiful layout given my allegorical story, "The Pearl" (June). I especially would like to express my gratitude to the artist. It is a distinct privilege for a writer to have his work find a setting in the *Era*. I don't know of anything that could mean more to me.

It was especially wonderful to have it in the June issue. For a dozen years, June meant a conference trek to me and being close to a "holy fire." Conference is special to all of us away from Salt Lake City. Those of us who enjoy the printed word have welcomed with delight the progressive format of the *Era* and all you have done to make it a magazine to be proud of. I am very humble to think I was a part of it for one issue.

Alma Deane Feller
Pinole, California

Thanks so much for the beautiful art work for my little piece, "A Song In the Night" (July). I'm afraid I do not look so cool and fresh when I go out into my hot garden these summer nights. Sometimes a tiny piece will bring to the author more joy than a much longer and more ambitious work, and I am glad that this piece has a happy home with you. The neighbor that I wrote about died about a year ago.

Ruth Ikerman
Mentone, California

Entire Era Is for Youth!

I've noted the recent format changes of the *Era*, and for the most part I've enjoyed them. However, I wonder about the wisdom of having the *Era* of Youth in the center of the magazine so the teenage readers can easily pull it out. I think we should encourage our young people to read the entire magazine, not just that section. Each issue has many thought-provoking and challenging articles that should have as much appeal for them as for adult readers.

Mrs. M. L. Morgan
Denver, Colorado

From the Mission Field

I have appreciated the *Era's* service here in the Argentine Mission. Our contacts and members have grown in their gospel knowledge through articles we have shared with them. Many issues have been left with English-speaking contacts; their attitudes toward the Church have changed, and their desire to know more has increased. The message from the Prophet always gives us the opportunity to tell people that God lives and directs his Church through living men. We often challenge people to read his words and to put them into practice. God is truly putting his hand over the nations of South America.

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Prayer

By Cynthia M. Trunnell

Oh, God, I pray thee humbly from my heart's
Deep pain that thou wilt hear me at this hour,
Hear me and heal me with thy holy arts.
Oh, help me now, for only thou hast power
To free a soul whose twisted roots are wound,
Deep in earth's clay, around some stubborn rock
Lodged firmly where the light is never found.
I cannot learn, alone, to loose, unlock
That many-fingered hold that keeps me low
When I would reach to clasp thy loving hand
Or move across the meadow, where, I know,
Another soul has need of strength to stand.
Teach me, Oh, God, therefore, that I may free
Myself, to lend him strength, and come to thee.



Richard L. Evans

The Spoken Word

Running From—not To

A sentence heard somewhere portrays a restless young person as saying, "I am running *from*, not *to*." Too many, it seems, are running *from*, who don't really seem to know what they are running toward—what end, what accomplishment, what result will be realized by their running; too many not really knowing from what and to what, without any definite or definable destination that one would want to reach. "Let us get our eye clearly, then, on what we are talking of," said Dr. Fosdick, "—not . . . an escape from life, but as an indispensable part of life. . . . Of all pathetic things few are worse than the familiar sight which one sees on every side . . . people who are trying to substitute thrills for serenity. Having no serenity at home within themselves, they run away into sensations, spend as much time as possible away from themselves amid their thrills, and then at last have to come back again. . . . That is the very essence of unhappiness. . . . Speed becomes a mania and the pace is sometimes frantic, and in the midst of it one who cares about man's happiness and quality looks on the wreckage of that inner grace without which there can be nothing great in life or art. . . . Some of our modern sophisticates might well cease their attacks on our forefathers. . . . While they may have been dour, grim, and unhappy, they were not cynical, flippant, futile, and unhappy, . . . lacking deep wells of quietness, trying to make up for the loss of serene meaning by plunging into sensations."¹ Life has purpose and meaning and is everlastingly long—but here and now one cannot always run, for one runs out of time and strength. If it is boredom we run from, it will always catch up with us. If it is duty, it remains whether we run or not. If it is reality we run from, it is with us whether we recognize it or not. If it is ourselves, no man ever leaves himself behind. The antidote to restless running is to choose a solid purpose and pursue it. Whatever we may be running from, we need to be moving toward a solid purpose, without which there is no peace, no serenity inside.

¹Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, *The Power to See It Through: The High Uses of Serenity* (New York: Harper & Brothers).

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The Patriarch to the Church: On June 27, 1839, the Prophet Joseph Smith spoke to the brethren at considerable length and made the following statement:

"AN EVANGELIST is a Patriarch, even the oldest man of the blood of Joseph or of the seed of Abraham. Wherever the Church of Christ is established in the earth, there should be a Patriarch for the benefit of the posterity of the Saints, as it was with Jacob in giving his patriarchal blessing unto his sons, etc." (*Documentary History of the Church*, Vol. 3, p. 381.)

The Prophet's father, Joseph Smith, Sen., was ordained Patriarch to the Church December 18, 1833. His direct descendant in the patriarchal lineage, Eldred G. Smith, now holds that office.

The Assistants to the Council of the Twelve: At the April 1941 general conference, President J. Reuben Clark, Jr., in reading the names of the General Authorities for sustaining vote, said: "The rapid growth of the Church in

recent times, the constantly increasing establishment of new wards and stakes, the ever-widening geographical area covered by wards and stakes, the steadily pressing necessity for increasing our missions in numbers and efficiency that the Gospel may be brought to all men, the continual multiplying of Church interests and activities calling for more rigid and frequent observation, supervision, and direction, all have built up an apostolic service of the greatest magnitude.

"The First Presidency and Twelve feel that to meet adequately their great responsibilities and to carry on efficiently this service for the Lord, they should have some help.

"Accordingly it has been decided to appoint assistants to the Twelve, who shall be High Priests, who shall be set apart to act under the direction of the Twelve in the performance of such work as the First Presidency and the Twelve may place upon them.

"There will be no fixed number of these assistants. Their number will be increased or otherwise from time to time as the necessity of carrying on the Lord's work seems to dictate to be wise. . . ." (*The Improvement Era*, May 1941, p. 269.)

Currently there are 12 Assistants to the Twelve.

The First Council of the Seventy: In the great revelation on priesthood in the Doctrine and Covenants, Section 107, the Lord says:

"The Seventy are also called to preach the gospel, and to be especial witnesses unto the Gentiles and in all the world—thus differing from other officers in the

church in the duties of their calling.

"And they form a quorum, equal in authority to that of the Twelve special witnesses or Apostles just named. . . .

"The Seventy are to act in the name of the Lord, under the direction of the Twelve or the traveling high council, in building up the church and regulating all the affairs of the same in all nations, first unto the Gentiles and then to the Jews." (D&C 107:25-26, 34.)

The quorums of seventy, consecutively numbered, are organized with special reference to their calling and missionary ministry. And, referring again to the revelation, "they should have seven presidents to preside over them, chosen out of the number of the seventy." (D&C 107:93.) These are the First Council of the Seventy.

The Presiding Bishopric: "The quorum of the Presiding Bishopric consists of the Presiding Bishop and two counselors. All three are High Priests as well as Bishops. They preside over the Aaronic Priesthood. They administer the temporal affairs of the Church under the direction of the First Presidency. They supervise the handling of the tithes, the transfer of membership certificates, all financial and statistical reports, and similar matters." (John A. Widtsoe, *Program of the Church*, p. 156.)

In a few words, then, have been sketched the responsibilities of these councils. Now turn the pages and read of the lives of the brethren who are now sustained by the membership of the Church to these callings. ○

*See "The First Presidency and the Council of the Twelve," *The Improvement Era*, November 1966, pp. 977 ff.

Forthright, energetic action, and a strong desire to do the will of the Lord characterize the Church's newest apostle. Alvin R. Dyer was born January 1, 1903, in Salt Lake City, to Alfred and Harriet Walsh Dyer. During high school and subsequent years he played on several winning baseball teams and sang in a quartet that was much in demand.

Elder Dyer filled a mission to the Eastern States, where he became an area leader and in 1923 acted in what was perhaps the first Hill Cumorah pageant. He married May Elizabeth Jackson in June 1926, and they have two children.

Employment as a sheet metal worker for eight years and correspondence courses in mechanical drafting and engineering prepared him for a successful business career. He managed a heating and air conditioning department for a builders' supply firm, and at the age of 46 organized a successful distributing company.

During his business career, Elder Dyer was a member of the Exchange Club, the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers, and, during World War II, the American Military Engineers, where he served in a civilian advisory capacity on a number of projects.

But service to the Lord has always been the joy of Brother Dyer's heart. For nearly six years he was bishop of Salt Lake City's Monument Park Ward. He had previously served in two ward bishoprics and on two stake high councils. During his service as a



ALVIN R. DYER
Apostle

bishop he received a call to preside over the Central States Mission.

Disposing of his business interests, he entered the mission field and found a new interest. To satisfy his own mind concerning the history of the Church and its people in Missouri, Elder Dyer researched and wrote an account largely for his own use. The account was later published in book form. Since then Elder Dyer has written seven books on gospel subjects.

In 1958, only five months after being appointed first assistant to the YMMIA general superintendency, Elder Dyer was called

to be an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve. He was later called to reopen and preside over the European Mission, where he labored for two years. Returning home, he immersed himself in the assignments given him, one of which was the priesthood home teaching program, which he helped direct.

On October 5, 1967, Elder Dyer was ordained an apostle, to be associated with members of the Council of the Twelve in witnessing the Savior's mission. His strong leadership, yet humble spirit, makes him a valuable servant in the Lord's hands.



ELDRED G. SMITH

Patriarch to the Church

The office of Patriarch to the Church is a holy calling. It is a hereditary calling, given on personal worthiness to the man receiving it through inspiration of the President of the Church.

Eldred G. Smith is the seventh Patriarch to the Church in this dispensation. Daily he cares for spiritual needs of the saints, giving to many their patriarchal blessings, great personal pronouncements that can, if the recipient is humble and worthy, chart the way to possible achievements in a fruitful lifetime.

Eldred Smith was born January 9, 1907, at

Lehi, Utah, a son of Hyrum G. and Martha Gee Smith. When he was five years of age, his father was sustained as Presiding Patriarch to the Church, and the family moved to Salt Lake City. Young Eldred was educated in the public schools and attended LDS High School and the University of Utah, where he studied engineering.

In 1926 he received a call to serve in the Swiss-German Mission, and upon his release in 1929, he served a stake mission in the Liberty Stake in Salt Lake City.

Eldred Smith married Jeanne Ness August 17, 1932, in the Salt Lake Temple, and

they became parents of two sons and three daughters.

Devoted to serving the Lord in whatever capacity he was called, Elder Smith became a member of the Ensign Stake YMMIA board in November 1936, and on May 5, 1938, he was sustained as second counselor in the 20th Ward bishopric in Salt Lake City. He later served on the Ensign Stake high council. When the North 20th Ward was created in 1941, he became its first bishop.

In January 1944 he accepted a war-time position with the Oak Ridge, Tennessee, atomic energy project. On his way there, he stopped at the mission headquarters in Louisville, Kentucky, where he offered his services to the Church. When he arrived at Oak Ridge, he found that because of the secret nature of the atomic project, he could not gain permission for the saints to hold Church gatherings in military halls. So he invited Church members to his home for services, where they used boxes for table and chairs. The gatherings grew until eventually 35 children and 65 adults were attending. The Oak Ridge Branch was then formed, with Elder Smith as branch president.

After World War II he returned to Salt Lake City. On April 6, 1947, at the general conference of the Church he was sustained as Patriarch to the Church.

Since then he has given literally thousands of blessings. He spends many hours each day at his desk in the Church Administration Building counseling members who come from all parts of the Church.

One of the distinguishing features of the April conference of 1941 was the calling of five Assistants to the Council of the Twelve, who were "set apart to act under the direction of the Twelve in the performance of such work as the First Presidency and the Twelve may place upon them." Among them was Alma Sonne.

Elder Sonne was born in Logan, Utah, on March 5, 1884, to Niels Christian and Elisa Peterson Sonne. After his graduation from Brigham Young College in Logan in 1904, he worked for the Logan First National Bank. From 1910 to 1912 he filled a mission in England, where he had charge of emigration work, traffic, and transportation. Returning from the British Isles, he married Geneva Ballantyne on May 16, 1912, and they had five children—four sons and a daughter. After the death of his wife in 1941, he married Leona Ballantyne Woolley.

Elder Sonne has played an important role in the business and agricultural development of northern Utah. He is president of the First National Bank in Logan and a member of the board of trustees of Utah State University.

When Elder Sonne was called to preside over the European Mission with headquarters in London in 1946, someone asked him: "Why must you go? Isn't the soul at home as precious to save as the soul in Europe?" Elder Sonne answered, "I suppose it is a matter of conviction. It is very important what we believe." Then he recalled that when he was a young man, he had asked his father, "Why did you join the Church?" the father hesi-



ALMA SONNE

Assistant to the Council of the Twelve

tated for a moment and then replied, "Because I read the Book of Mormon." With the conviction that this was the word of God, his father had asked for baptism. Elder Sonne recalled that his mother had walked across the prairie from Council Bluffs to Cache Valley, Utah, behind a yoke of oxen and a covered wagon. "Why?" Elder Sonne asked. Because, he was told, they had the conviction that the Church was true.

The same conviction characterizes the unselfish devotion and service of Alma Sonne. Countless individuals bear personal testimony that he is sincere when he says,

"There is nothing more important than people." He served in two bishoprics in Logan, as stake YMMIA superintendent, on a stake high council, and as counselor in the Cache Stake presidency. He was serving as Cache Stake president and chairman of the Cache welfare region when he was called to be an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve.

Love of people and love of the gospel form the foundation of Elder Sonne's life. "The only infallible guide for men and nations," he says, "is the gospel of Jesus Christ."



ELRAY L. CHRISTIANSEN

Assistant to the Council of the Twelve

The spiritual strength and sincerity of Elder ElRay L. Christiansen, Assistant to the Council of the Twelve, have been an influence for good in the lives of innumerable people, for he has led an active and varied life in Church, civic, cultural, and educational endeavors.

Elder Christiansen was born July 13, 1897, in Mayfield, Utah, to Parley and Dorothea C. Jensen Scow Christiansen. He majored in agronomy at Utah State Agricultural College and continued in graduate studies at the University of Utah and Brigham Young University. An agriculturist and

landowner himself, he conducted comprehensive soil surveys and grazing reconnaissance for the U.S. government.

Professionally an educator, one of his greatest satisfactions comes from teaching young people. This he has done effectively in the schools, with missionaries, as a Scout leader, and in his extensive service in the temples of the Church.

On June 14, 1922, he married Lewella Rees in the Manti Temple. They have three children. In 1924 the Christiansens accepted a call to the Central States Mission. Thus began a long sequence of Church service for

Elder Christiansen. Later in the East Jordan (Utah) Stake, he served in the stake Sunday School superintendency, on the high council, and as bishop of the Draper First Ward. In 1936 he became affiliated with the Church School System and moved to Logan, Utah.

In 1937 he was called as president of the Texas-Louisiana Mission. Returning to Logan four years later, he was sustained as first counselor in the Cache Stake presidency. From 1943-1952 he was president of the Logan Temple, and during four of these years, he also served as first counselor in the East Cache Stake presidency and then as stake president.

On October 6, 1951, he was called as an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve. In this capacity he has served as chairman of the budget committee of the Church Welfare Committee, was Salt Lake Temple president for eight years, and assisted in preparing the London Temple for ordination work. In 1961 he became, under the direction of the First Presidency, coordinator of all Church temples. In addition, he is area supervisor of the four southeast American missions.

In all his works, Elder Christiansen has been honored and respected. When he was sustained in conference as an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve, Elder Christiansen emphasized that a genuine testimony must be accompanied by good works. Certainly this has been the foundation of his own life, for through his firm testimony, he has been moved to good works and has become a dedicated man of strength and solidarity.

In the early days of the restored Church, the Lord said, in revelation through the Prophet Joseph Smith, "For my soul delighteth in the song of the heart; yea, the song of the righteous is a prayer unto me."

Elder John Longden, Assistant to the Council of the Twelve, has literally sung his way into the hearts of the saints wherever he has traveled. A gifted singer, he has willingly shared his musical talents with congregations in many parts of the world as he has visited them on Church assignments.

Elder Longden was born in Oldham, Lancashire, England, on November 4, 1898. His parents, Thomas J. and Lizetta Taylor Longden, were converts to the Church, and when John was ten years old, the family immigrated to Utah. He attended LDS High School and LDS Business College and the University of Utah.

His musical talents were recognized early, and he studied voice and dramatics and was a member of two theater stock companies. In 1921 he accepted a call to the Central States Mission, and upon his return began his business career, first in an insurance agency and then in the electrical products business. He climbed the executive ladder to become manager of the Westinghouse Electric Supply Company in Salt Lake City and, in 1952, area manager for National Electric Products Corporation, a position he held until his business retirement in 1960.

On October 15, 1924, Elder Longden married Frances LaRue Carr in the Salt Lake Temple; they



JOHN LONGDEN

Assistant to the Council of the Twelve

are parents of two daughters. Sister Longden served 13 years as second counselor in the general presidency of the Young Women's Mutual Improvement Association.

Elder Longden has always found time to serve faithfully and willingly in the Church. He was an assistant superintendent and superintendent in ward and stake MIA organizations before being called as bishop of the 19th Ward in Salt Lake City. He then served some 17 years as a stake high councilor and, in 1950, became a member of the General Church Welfare Committee. In October 1951 came the call to serve as an

Assistant to the Council of the Twelve.

In a recent general conference Elder Longden told of attending meetings as a youth in a little corrugated, galvanized meetinghouse in Oldham, Lancashire. Fifty-six years later he had the privilege of returning to the land of his birth to dedicate a beautiful chapel in Oldham. "Fifty-six years ago," mused Elder Longden. "It seems like yesterday. How time flies!"

Then he added, "There is nothing we can do about it except to see as far as possible that it passes fruitfully." This he has done most successfully.

An impressive experience in Sterling Sill's youth was a turning point that greatly influenced his later life. He was asked to review in Sunday School class a paragraph from the manual. As he stood up to speak, the 12-year-old youth became panic-stricken. Tears coursed down his face, and he was unable to finish. That same day another youth spoke with such aplomb that Elder Sill still recalls the compelling motivations to seek similar excellence. A guiding hand was already influencing his life, for in a blessing he had been told: "The eye of the Lord shall be upon you . . . and your tongue shall be loosened to your astonishment."

Born March 31, 1903, in Layton, Utah, to Joseph and Marietta Wellington Sill, Elder Sill still remembers the timidity that troubled him, even during his mission to the Southern States. After attending the University of Utah, he taught school for two years before entering the insurance business in Salt Lake City.

Hard-won success and the constant support of his wife, Doris Mary Thornley (they have three children), effected great changes in his self-confidence. He advanced rapidly in his profession, becoming Salt Lake City manager of his firm in 1933 and inspector of agencies in 1940, a position he holds in honorarium today. At the age of 29, he became the first Utahn to address the National Association of Life Underwriters.

In 1936 he was called as bishop of the Garden Park Ward. Stake conference came soon, and thinking he might be asked to speak, he



STERLING W. SILL
Assistant to the Council of the Twelve

prepared a talk. He was not asked. For the next conference he had prepared another talk, but again he was not asked. For the next ten years Bishop Sill prepared a talk—and never gave one in conference. The Lord was disciplining him for a great ministry.

In 1951 he became a Sunday School general board member, and in April 1954 he was called to be an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve. After delivering 12 addresses on the Sunday evening Church radio program in 1959, he was asked to deliver them indefinitely, and for the past eight years he has prepared and delivered

talks for weekly 15-minute and half-hour radio programs aired nationwide over 450 stations.

Over 4,200 letters monthly come from listeners, carrying such heartfelt sentiments as these: "I've joined the Church because of these talks." "You changed my life." "What an excellent Mormon ministry." His ability to serve the Lord in this way has been the fruit of 40 years of preparation. Years ago he began cataloging his thoughts, and he is now compiling his twenty-first scrapbook of ideas. He is a great public spokesman for the gospel in our time.



HENRY D. TAYLOR
Assistant to the Council of the Twelve

“It was inevitable that he should reach high places,” was said of Henry D. Taylor when he was called as an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve in April 1958. He was trained for leadership from his early days of disciplined farm life in Provo, Utah, where he was born on November 22, 1903, to Arthur N. and Maria Dixon Taylor.

Remembering the rich heritage of his home, Elder Taylor said in a general conference address, “It was not meant that we should stand alone. We become better individuals when we grow together rather than alone.”

After a mission to the Eastern States, Elder Taylor was graduated from Brigham Young University in 1929 and in 1960 received the Y’s Alumni Distinguished Service Award. He received a master’s degree from New York University School of Retailing in 1937. In Provo, where he was assistant manager of Dixon Taylor Russell Company, Elder Taylor became actively involved in varied community affairs, including the Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis Club, and the Utah Valley Hospital board.

On December 26, 1929, he married Alta Hansen of Richfield, Utah. Four sons were

born to them. Active in ward and stake organizations, Sister Taylor charmingly and intelligently sustained her husband, sharing with him years of opportunity and accomplishment. She passed away on July 6, 1967.

Described as a “quiet dynamo,” Elder Taylor seemed destined to lead his brethren. He was national president of Delta Phi, a high councilor, and stake clerk, as well as bishop of Pleasant View Ward and president of Sharon and East Sharon stakes. He was serving as president of the California Mission when he was called to become an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve.

Now serving as managing director of the Church Welfare Program, Elder Taylor has brought to this special calling wide and long experience in welfare work, including experience as chairman of the Mt. Timpanogos and the Central Utah welfare regions.

Elder Taylor approaches the Welfare Program with great compassion and love for his fellowmen, with full, uncompromising faith in revealed truth, and with strength and tolerance. Speaking about the program, he says: “To carry out the purposes of the program, it was intended that all members of the Church should join together and work, giving us a feeling of brotherhood and unity, a sense of belonging—belonging to one another and to the kingdom of God.”

Quiet, unassuming leadership and superior performance with unwavering faith in his Heavenly Father distinguish Elder Henry D. Taylor.

During World War I, William James Critchlow, Jr. in service with the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, found himself posted alone for weeks on a mountain peak, where he found time to read the Book of Mormon. "I had 'inherited' the gospel," he recalls, "and my Church membership had come routinely when I was old enough to be baptized. But my conversion—that 'I-know-beyond-any-doubt' feeling—came to me atop a mountain as I read the Book of Mormon and asked God about its truthfulness."

This witness has been born with great fervency and conviction, particularly in the years since Elder Critchlow was sustained as an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve in October 1958.

Born August 12, 1892, a son of William J. and Anna Gregerson Critchlow, Elder Critchlow has lived all his life in Ogden, Utah. After high school graduation, he entered Weber Academy where, as student body president in 1911, he spearheaded a campaign for a gymnasium, setting the stage for life-long service to the community. Many years later his dream materialized and the gymnasium was built. When it was returned to the Church and remodeled as a Deseret Gymnasium in June 1967, William J. Critchlow, Jr., the man who had initiated the drive in 1911, was asked to offer the dedicatory prayer.

To prepare for a career in business administration, he enrolled in LaSalle Extension University, Chicago, and also took classes through the University of Utah extension division.

Elder Critchlow entered the

electric utility field in 1912 and, except for temporary government assignments, he filled various executive positions with Utah Power & Light Company until his retirement, when he was serving as business development manager.

"The measure of a man's real success in life is his family," he has said. He married Anna Maria Taylor in the Salt Lake Temple in 1924, and they have two sons and a daughter.

Elder Critchlow's influence in Ogden community affairs has been profound, with service on a number of committees and in

civic clubs. He was a founder of the *All Faces West* pageant, which each year re-enacts the pioneer trek to Great Salt Lake Valley. This project has particular significance for him, since his great-grandfather James Brown was a Mormon Battalion leader and founder of Ogden.

Much of the joy in life, Elder Critchlow believes, is a by-product of service, particularly to the Church. He held many positions in the auxiliaries and served 17 years as first president of South Ogden Stake before his call as an Assistant to the Twelve in October 1958.



WILLIAM J. CRITCHLOW, JR.

Assistant to Council of the Twelve

"Follow the leaders of the Church, and never turn down an opportunity to serve."

These words of counsel from his parents have been a guiding philosophy for Elder Franklin D. Richards, Assistant to the Council of the Twelve, who has devoted his life to service to his community, his nation, and his Church.

Elder Richards was born November 17, 1900, in Ogden, Utah, a son of Charles C. and Letitia Peery Richards. As a boy he was industrious, working on his father's farm to earn school expenses as well as taking an active part in debate activities and school publications.

He was graduated from Weber Academy, Ogden, and then studied at the University of Utah before receiving a call to the Eastern States Mission. After he returned, he completed work on his LL.B. degree at the university in 1923 and entered law practice in Salt Lake City. On August 1, 1923, he married Helen Kearnes in the Salt Lake Temple. They have two sons and two daughters.

Elder Richards was named first Utah director of the Federal Housing Administration in 1934, and later was appointed zone commissioner for 13 western states, with headquarters in Washington, D.C. In 1947 he was appointed national FHA commissioner, and during his term of office the nation enjoyed the largest residential building program of its history. After resigning from the FHA in 1952, he opened his own mortgage banking and brokerage business, with offices in New York, Washington,



FRANKLIN D. RICHARDS

Assistant to the Council of the Twelve

and Salt Lake City, and in 1954 he returned to Utah.

As a young man Elder Richards received his patriarchal blessing, in which he was blessed that he would be "called to hold offices of presidency and leadership in sacred and civil positions." That promise has truly been fulfilled, for in addition to holding responsible public positions, he has also been a leader in his priesthood quorums and the auxiliary organizations of the Church.

Elder Richards was serving as president of the East Mill Creek Stake mission when, in 1959, he was called to preside over the

Northwestern States Mission. There he directed one of the most fruitful mission areas of the Church and developed a new missionary handbook incorporating the mission's most effective teaching plans. On October 8, 1960, just ten months after he became mission president, it was announced in general conference that he had been called as an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve. His mission activities have continued, for his assignments as a General Authority have included supervision of missions on the East Coast of the United States and, more recently, in South America.

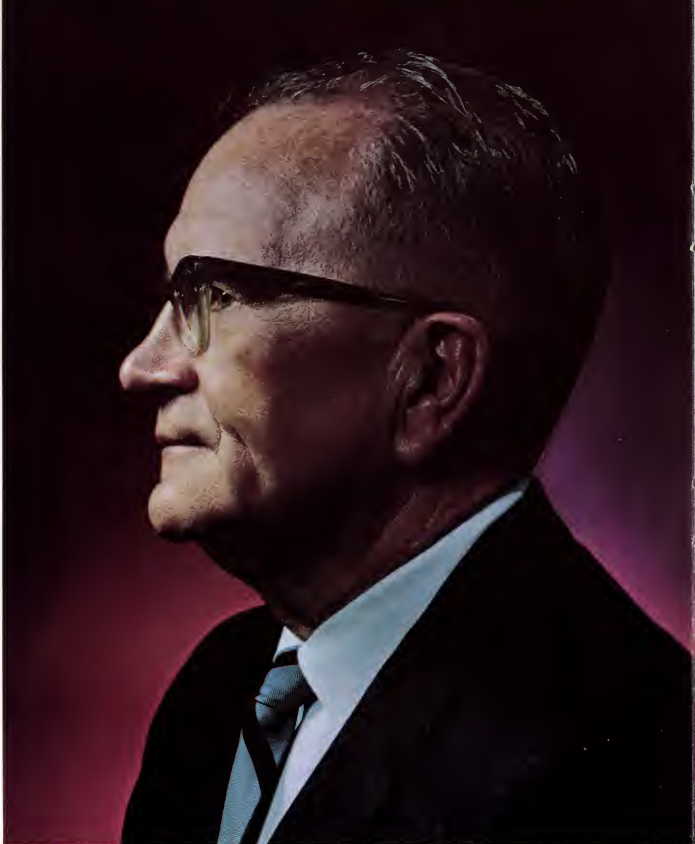
A colleague in the Genealogical Society, where Elder Theodore M. Burton serves as vice-president as well as managing director of the Priesthood Genealogy Committee, describes Elder Burton as a humble man "of honesty, love, dedication, and uncompromising loyalty to the gospel and its principles."

Elder Burton developed these qualities early in his life. He was born March 27, 1907, and his parents, Theodore Taylor and Florence Moyle Burton, encouraged him to work from the time he was 12 years old. Of them Elder Burton has said, "They provided the opportunities and taught the gospel by setting an example and living it in our home in Salt Lake City."

He successfully completed his education, receiving B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of Utah and a Ph.D. degree in chemistry from Purdue University. From 1932 to 1934 he was assistant bacteriologist for Salt Lake City. Later he was a popular teacher of chemistry at Carbon College in Price, Utah, and then at Utah State University, Logan.

Elder Burton believes that his studies in science have helped him to become more sensitive to God's laws. "My testimony has been strengthened, because in science I was trained to see order. In our religion, God gives us infallible truth that we can prove to ourselves by applying it to our lives."

From 1927-30 Elder Burton served as a missionary in the Swiss-German Mission. He later served as bishop and high counselor



THEODORE M. BURTON

Assistant to the Council of the Twelve

in Logan. In 1957 he returned to Europe to preside over the West German Mission. Accompanying him were his wife, Minnie Preece Burton, whom he married in the Salt Lake Temple on February 23, 1933, and his son, Robert, who has since fulfilled a mission in Switzerland. Before becoming European Mission president in 1962, Elder Burton was set apart as an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve on October 9, 1960.

In June 1965, he became the West European Mission supervisor.

Theodore Burton has said, "In the next world the question will not be how many

positions did you hold, but how many people did you help"; and in reference to his work with genealogy he has said, "What Jesus did was done as an example to show us how we too could serve others through our own work and sacrifice. In our vicarious work for the salvation of our dead, we do follow our Lord and Savior and become saviors ourselves for those who cannot save themselves."

These are not mere words for Elder Burton, but rather principles he puts into action. It has been said of him that "he has sworn his loyalty to the kingdom!"



BOYD K. PACKER

Assistant to the Council of the Twelve

The tenth of eleven children of Ira W. and Emma Jensen Packer, Elder Boyd K. Packer was born September 10, 1924, into a home that was richly endowed with everything except ready money. He was well schooled in the family circle in the principles that had made for his people an everyday religion of the restored gospel, and had made their arid homelands blossom as the rose.

During his senior year in high school, Pearl Harbor embroiled the nation in war. Following his graduation, he worked for the contractors building the Bushnell General Hospital at Brigham City, Utah.

He enlisted in the air cadet program of the air force and was graduated as a pilot by the time he was twenty. As a lonely cadet, he recalls, he poured out his soul in prayer, promising that if he could succeed in accomplishing life's real purpose and resist temptation, he would dedicate himself to the Lord.

After additional training he was stationed in Hawaii, then in the Philippines. In October 1945 he was sent to Japan, where in his leisure time he had the opportunity of aiding other servicemen in teaching the gospel to the Japanese people.

After being released from the service, he continued his education at Weber College and Utah State University, receiving his bachelor's and master's degrees in education. He married Donna Edith Smith, and they have nine children.

President George Albert Smith spoke in the Box Elder Tabernacle in 1948, encouraging the citizens of the community to support the use of the Bushnell Hospital facilities for an Indian school and promising that those in attendance would be blessed if they would do all they could to aid and encourage the project.

Elder Packer took this as a personal challenge, as did others. When the first group of Indian students arrived in 1949, Elder Packer, then a member of the seminary faculty, and J. Edwin Baird were appointed to develop a Church program for those students. From this small beginning, the Indian seminary program has grown and developed and is now used throughout the Church.

Elder Packer was sustained as an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve at the October 1961 general conference. At that time he was supervisor of seminaries and institutes of religion and was working on his doctorate in education, which he received from the Brigham Young University in June 1962.

Since August 1965 he has been presiding over the New England Mission.

The promise Elder Packer made when a young cadet to dedicate himself to the Lord has been met by his significant contribution to the education of youth in the Church.



BERNARD P. BROCKBANK

Assistant to the Council of the Twelve

The spirit of missionary work is evident in the life and personality of Elder Bernard P. Brockbank. Most of his adult life has been devoted to promulgating the gospel, and when he speaks, it is with the enthusiasm and conviction of one who loves the work of the Lord and wants to share it with his fellowmen.

Elder Brockbank was born May 24, 1909, in Holladay, Utah, a son of Taylor P. and Sarah LeCheminant Brockbank. He attended Utah State Agricultural College, the University of Utah, and George Washington University at Washington, D. C. His

studies were interrupted in 1929 when he accepted a call to the British Mission, where he was district president for one year and began the first of his missionary labors. He also served on a stake mission in 1934-35 in Washington, D.C., while he was attending school.

On November 1, 1935, he married Nada Rich, and they became the parents of five sons and one daughter. Sister Brockbank died August 1, 1967.

A wellknown Salt Lake City building contractor, Elder Brockbank has been active in building associations as well as civic affairs,

having been a member of the Salt Lake Real Estate Board and the Utah Home Builders Association, as well as past president of the Granite School District Board of Education.

Wherever he has resided, Elder Brockbank has held responsible positions in the Church, including bishop of the Winder Ward in Salt Lake City, stake high counselor, president of the Holladay Stake, and chairman of the Jordan Valley welfare region.

His great love for missionary work has come to fruition most forcefully since 1960, when he was named president of the North British Mission. When the mission was divided in December 1960, he became president of the new Scottish-Irish Mission and, 18 months later, of the new Scottish Mission. He was serving in the latter mission area when, in October 1962, he was called as an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve.

When the Mormon Pavilion at the New York World's Fair opened in April 1964, its managing director was Elder Brockbank, whose missionary enthusiasm and zeal were now influencing the many missionaries who labored there under his direction and the millions of visitors who were introduced to the restored gospel there.

Since the close of the fair, Elder Brockbank has been assisting in preparing displays for visitors centers throughout the Church. These displays incorporate many of the ideas used so successfully at the fair and are now helping to teach even greater numbers of people the truths of the gospel.

For years James Alfred Cullimore had been leading and counseling members of the Church—as branch president at Sioux City, Iowa, and at Oklahoma City; as president of the West Oklahoma District; and then, beginning October 23, 1960, as president of the new Oklahoma Stake. The Cullimore home was always a haven where missionaries could find a good meal and recharge their spiritual batteries with quiet talk upon the great principles of the gospel.

But when, in December 1960, Elder Cullimore was called to preside in the Central British Mission, the people of Oklahoma City, who knew him only as an eminently successful man who had built a thriving furniture business, could hardly understand how he could turn away from personal affairs to accept a church appointment of several years' duration. He did, however, and the stature of the Church grew in Oklahoma. He was sustained as an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve April 6, 1966, and again the image of the Church grew in the Midwest.

Elder Cullimore was born January 17, 1906, at Lindon, Utah, a son of Albert L. and Luella Keetch Cullimore. In December 1924 he was called to the California Mission. He returned to study at Brigham Young University, where he was student body president. He married Grace Gardner in the Salt Lake Temple June 3, 1931. They went to New York City, where he had a scholarship for graduate studies at the New York University School of Retailing.



JAMES A. CULLIMORE

Assistant to the Council of the Twelve

He began his long experience as a furniture buyer in 1932 with Gimble Brothers, New York City, and held the same position with Mandel Brothers, Chicago. In 1937 he became the buyer and home furnishings merchandise manager for Browns in Oklahoma City.

During their early years in Oklahoma City, the Cullimores had wondered if they should return to Utah to rear their son and two daughters. World War II prevented such a move.

While touring the Central States Mission in 1946, Elder Joseph F. Merrill of the

Council of the Twelve heard the problem and said: "This is where the Lord wants you. Teach your children well and then send them to BYU to school, and they will marry in the Church. Things will work out well for you." Within days, Elder Cullimore had leased a building in Oklahoma City to open his own furniture store, which soon prospered.

Branch president, district president, stake president, mission president, Church welfare committee man, friend! Elder Cullimore is all these and more as he daily goes about the work of the Lord.



ANTOINE R. IVINS

of the First Council of the Seventy

“What can you say about Antoine R. Ivins?” a friend was asked. “President Ivins is one of God’s noble men, possessing a rare sense of balance or temperament. He is gracious, kind, humble, and cordial with all. In the councils of the Church and in his daily life he has an inward and a calming, self-disciplined strength that repeatedly manifests itself in times of stress.”

Antoine Ridgeway Ivins was born May 11, 1881, at St. George, Utah, a son of Anthony W. and Elizabeth Ashby Snow Ivins. As a youth, he was often his father’s willing companion on trips, where the pack on the horse

was sure to contain a fishing pole as well as a book.

When Antoine was 15, the family moved to Mexico, where his father was president of the Juarez Stake and president of the Mexican Colonization and Agricultural Company. Antoine continued his schooling at Juarez Academy and later at the School of Jurisprudence, Mexico City. When his father was sustained as a member of the Council of the Twelve at the October 1907 general conference, the family moved to Salt Lake City, and Antoine entered the University of Utah. He also studied law at the University of

At press time we learn with great sorrow of the death of President Ivins, who passed away at his home at 7:05 the evening of October 18, 1967.

Michigan, Ann Arbor.

He married Vilate Ellen Romney on June 26, 1912. Until her passing December 4, 1964, Sister Ivins often traveled with him as he fulfilled his many assignments.

Elder Ivins was engaged in ranching and agriculture in Utah before becoming manager of the Church sugar plantation at Laie, Hawaii, a position he held from 1921-31.

At the October 1931 semiannual general conference, he was sustained as a member of the First Council of the Seventy.

He served as president of the Mexican Mission from August 1931 to March 1934. There he succeeded the late Rey L. Pratt, who had begun the translation of the Doctrine and Covenants into Spanish. President Ivins continued this activity, assisted by Eduardo Balderas. One part after another was printed until, in 1948, the complete Doctrine and Covenants and Pearl of Great Price in Spanish came from the presses.

Returning from the mission field in 1934, President Ivins plunged with all his vigor into his full-time assignment as a General Authority. He has served as senior president of the First Council since the death of Levi Edgar Young, December 13, 1963.

There is hardly a stake of the Church that has not felt of his warmth as he has spoken the great truths of the gospel from their pulpits, often using stories rich in humor and ways of life. He has aided the Church to grow strong, and has seen its membership and activity increase many fold since being called as a General Authority.

In April 1945, when S. Dilworth Young was called to the First Council of the Seventy, Elder Richard L. Evans commented editorially in *The Improvement Era*: "God qualifies men according to the demands of the day and the needs of the Church." In one of his first talks, this new General Authority said, "The need for work with boys entered the valley with the pioneers."

Here was the need, and here was the man to meet the need. Elder Young was serving as Scout executive of the Ogden, Utah, area council when he received his new calling, and one of his friends said, "Well, that's fine for you, but what will the poor Boy Scouts do?" From that Ogden group, Elder Young's work with boys, with all young people, and with leaders of youth has extended worldwide.

President Young was born in Salt Lake City on September 7, 1897, a son of Seymour B. Young, Jr., and Charlie Louine Young Clawson.

He attended Granite High School, where he was elected president of the student body in 1917. After high school graduation, he successfully passed all the tests for the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, to which he had been appointed, only to find that a minor physical ailment barred his entrance. He joined the 145th Field Artillery, serving in France until 1918.

In 1920 Elder Young was called to the Central States Mission. Returning home, he married Gladys Pratt on May 31, 1923. Two children were born to them: Dilworth



S. DILWORTH YOUNG

of the First Council of the Seventy

Randolph, who was killed in action in Belgium in 1944, and Leonore, who is now Mrs. Blaine P. Parkinson. After the death of his wife Gladys, he married Huldah Parker on January 4, 1965.

In May 1947, President Young was called to preside over the New England Mission. Another dimension was added to his work with the youth of the Church, and returning missionaries reported that President Young's advice was, "Lean on the Lord."

Elder S. Dilworth Young is a gifted writer of prose and poetry. His prose writing has a distinct and beautiful style; his poetry is

sensitive and penetrating.

When he was a young deacon, Seymour Dilworth Young spoke of his supervisor, John D. Giles, as a man "who made the business of being a deacon seem very real." In his years as a member of the First Council of the Seventy, working with council members and with other seventies throughout the Church, and speaking to the saints assembled in conferences, Elder Young has made the work of the seventies a real and important assignment, one of great significance to the kingdom and great dignity to the individual.



MILTON R. HUNTER

of the First Council of the Seventy

Milton R. Hunter has had a profound influence upon gospel-oriented thought. His writings on such subjects as the Pearl of Great Price, Book of Mormon archeology, Church history, and the gospel through the ages form an indelible impression in the minds of many Latter-day Saints.

Described as one "gifted by a thirst for knowledge," Elder Hunter early impressed others with his potential. After he received his doctorate in history from the University of California at Berkeley in 1935, Elder Hunter was chatting with Dr. Herbert Bolton, famous librarian and historian, when the

professor abruptly said, "Hunter, I won't let you throw your career away on some little Mormon seminary in Utah. You have the makings of one of America's great historians. I haven't spent these years in order for you to expend this training fruitlessly. If you will change your mind, we will secure for you a proper place in a great university where expectations, and the training you have received, may be realized." But Brother Hunter turned his attention back to his home and the Church.

Born October 25, 1902, in Holden, Utah, to John Edward and Margaret Teeples Hun-

ter, Elder Hunter was schooled early in gospel precepts by his faithful parents. By high school graduation time, Elder Hunter knew he wanted to gain all the knowledge he could. However, finances were hard to come by, so after some initial college classes, he taught school in the winters and continued his own education during summers, a pattern that increasingly turned his heart toward religious education.

When he finally received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Brigham Young University, he had been a principal in Nevada, headed two Utah junior high schools, and had served as principal of two seminaries.

Elder Hunter married Ferne Gardner of Lehi in 1931, and they have six children. He taught seminary while he pursued his Ph.D.; then he accepted a position at the Logan (Utah) Institute of Religion and entered a lifetime of research and writing.

Within just a few years he had written for many Western America historical journals, his history of Utah had been chosen as—and still is—a text for Utah schools, and he had written several noteworthy books on the subject of Church history.

On April 6, 1945, Elder Hunter was called to the First Council of the Seventy, and his search for truth and its promulgation took on new dimensions. Now, 22 books and hundreds of articles later, rather than having expended "his training fruitlessly," Elder Hunter has created a lasting memory for his labors.

“There is nothing in this world that I would rather do than have the privilege of preaching the gospel and of devoting such time and abilities as the Lord may bless me with to the building up of his kingdom.” These words of Bruce R. McConkie of the First Council of the Seventy strike the guiding keynote of his life.

Elder McConkie was born to Oscar W. and Vivian Redd McConkie on July 29, 1915, at Ann Arbor, Michigan, where his father was studying law at the University of Michigan. At age 11, young Bruce would gather his brothers and sisters about him to read to them the Book of Mormon.

After returning to Salt Lake City, he attended LDS High School during its last two years of existence, and in 1934-36 he served in the Eastern States Mission. He was graduated from the University of Utah in 1937 with a bachelor of arts degree and in 1939 with a bachelor of laws degree. In June 1967 he received his doctorate in the same field. On October 13, 1937, he married Amelia Smith, daughter of President Joseph Fielding Smith. They have nine children. He was set apart on October 10, 1946, as a member of the First Council of the Seventy.

Elder McConkie has been a member of the Utah State Bar and a practicing attorney, assistant city attorney and city prosecutor, and a security and intelligence officer in the U.S. Army's Ninth Service Command. He joined the American Legion and at present holds the rank of lieutenant colonel in the Field Artillery Reserves.



BRUCE R. McCONKIE
of the First Council of the Seventy

For many years he was servicemen's coordinator for the Church. He has also served as president of the Southern Australian Mission. His knowledge and continual study of the scriptures have thrilled Church audiences and classes, and his keen sense of humor adds reality to his teachings.

In a conference address President McConkie said, "The great compelling necessity, the overwhelming obligation that rests upon us as members of this great latter-day kingdom is to come to a knowledge of the law of the Lord." To this end Elder McConkie has worked and studied diligently.

In October 1951 general conference, he reported the following experience: "Six months ago in the solemn assembly, when the First Presidency of the Church were sustained, as I sat here, the voice of the Lord came into my mind as certainly, I am sure, as the voice of the Lord came into the mind of Enos, as it said: 'These are they whom I have chosen as the First Presidency of my Church. Follow them.' That witness was an added assurance of the divinity of the work." To this theme, "follow the brethren," Bruce McConkie has dedicated his life.

“You don’t get an ivory tower feeling about him,”

replied a young returned missionary when asked about his relationship with Marion Duff Hanks. “President Hanks is very much in contact with the world ordinary people live in. He seems to come to grips with daily excitements and opportunities and experiences.”

Talk to building custodians, secretarial help, childhood friends, fellow General Authorities, or the soldier just home from Vietnam, and you’ll learn that Brother Hanks is loved because he has shown his concern for their welfare. Many a quiet battle he has fought to bring peace to his fellowman. Many a courageous stand he’s taken to insure fair judgment of a person or a problem.

Marion D. Hanks was born October 13, 1921, in Salt Lake City to Stanley A. and Maude Frame Hanks. He married the former Maxine Christensen of Honolulu, Hawaii, in 1949, and they have five children. Their home has always been open to people in need of a place to stay, a place to be comforted, a place to be healed. Regardless of his race, religious belief, station, or problem in life, the stranger is warmly welcomed into their home.

A desire to serve his Heavenly Father has been the motivating force of President Hanks’ life. When just a young deacon, he began staying up long past midnight to read the standard works.

Though a fine athlete, he gave up a college athletic scholarship to serve the Lord as a missionary. He



MARION D. HANKS
of the First Council of the Seventy

was graduated from the University of Utah Law School and has his juris doctor degree from that institution. But rather than practice law, he decided to teach institute and seminary classes. His Book of Mormon and Doctrine and Covenants classes, which he teaches at the University of Utah Institute of Religion, attract large crowds, often filling the institute chapel.

In October 1953 he was called to serve in the First Council of the Seventy. President Hanks finds his greatest joy is to assist and encourage people in their search for enlightenment and truth, and as editor of the

Era of Youth, he has had a wide influence on the youth of the Church.

Ask about Marion D. Hanks and the answers reflect the many facets of his personality and the depth of his contribution: “He listens.” “His conference talks are always so relevant.” “I’ve noticed how comfortable he seems among the greatest souls and the most brilliant minds.” “Do you remember this quote, ‘I could tell where the lamplighter was by the trail he left behind’? Well, you can tell where Duff Hanks has been, too—people are better. He cares about people.”



A. THEODORE TUTTLE

of the First Council of the Seventy

The mother of Elder A. Theodore Tuttle could not have known that when she insisted on her six-year-old son's memorizing his Sunday School talks, she was preparing him for speaking assignments that would carry his words around the world. But such was her faith in her only son that she often referred to him as a "child of promise," impressing upon him the need to be worthy for a life of service.

Elder Tuttle was born March 2, 1919, at Manti, Utah, to Albert Mervin and Clarice Montez Beal. He developed an early reputation as an orator and debater, and during

his school days in high school and at nearby Snow College he won the leads in plays and operettas and was a student leader.

So close had been his relationship with his seminary teacher that when Elder Tuttle transferred to Brigham Young University after a Northern States mission, he decided to concentrate in religious education. His senior year was highlighted by his receiving an award as outstanding student in religious education, and by his marriage on July 26, 1943, to Marne Whitaker. They are the parents of seven children.

Shortly after marriage, he entered the

Marines and served two and a half years as a line officer in the Pacific theater. He was the person who returned to the ship to obtain the American flag that was to be raised on Mt. Suribachi on Iwo Jima. The raising of the flag has been the subject of legends, sculptures, pictures, and even motion pictures.

Returning home, he began teaching in the seminary system, serving in Utah and Idaho communities while he pursued his master of education degree at Stanford University in the summers. After serving as director of the institute of religion at Reno, Nevada, he was appointed in 1953 as supervisor of seminaries and institutes for the Church Schools.

A colleague describes him as one blessed with the "unusual ability for administrative procedures, one who has the rare ability to stand back and look at a complete organization and get the whole picture." Another longtime acquaintance has said, "His depth of scholarship and thoughtful reflection are greatly admired, as are his qualities of compassion and concern for others."

On April 10, 1958, Elder Tuttle was called to the First Council of the Seventy. Three years later he was appointed president of the missions in South America, where he helped direct the growth of Church membership from 20,000 to 40,000 in four years. Among his present assignments is supervising Spanish-speaking missions in North America. His lifelong love for teaching the gospel has indeed been recognized by the Lord. Elder Tuttle is a great educator in the Lord's kingdom.



PAUL H. DUNN
of the First Council of the Seventy

To the frightened and wounded young soldier in a foxhole on the island of Guam during World War II, there came an overpowering desire to have answers to some serious questions. Death had wasted the lives of many of his companions, and there kept coming into his mind with recurring intensity the thoughts: Is there a God? Is The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints the true church? In deep concern and fear, Elder Paul H. Dunn prayed with earnestness and humility. Of this experience he says, "Immediately there came into my soul a sweet spirit, a feeling of comfort, a

feeling of assurance that God did exist and the Church of Jesus Christ was again on earth."

Elder Dunn was born April 24, 1924, at Provo, Utah, to Joshua Harold and Geneva Roberts Dunn. He early developed a love for sports, and did so well in baseball that after playing on his high school team in Los Angeles, he signed a contract with the St. Louis Cardinals as a pitcher and was farmed out to the Pioneer and Pacific Coast leagues. The war interrupted his baseball career.

Following the war, while again pitching

under his Cardinal contract, Elder Dunn broke his collarbone. With his chances dim for full recovery, and a growing concern about Sunday baseball, he turned to another field—education.

Elder Dunn attended Chapman College and graduated in 1953 with a bachelor's degree in religion. The following year he received his master's degree from the University of Southern California. In the meantime he had converted, baptized, and married the Chapman College president's daughter, Jeanne Cheverton (they are the parents of three daughters) and had begun his career with the Church School System as a seminary teacher in Los Angeles.

He served as southern California assistant coordinator of seminaries, then as director of the institute of religion adjacent to the University of Southern California. In 1959 he also received his doctorate in education from USC. He was serving as coordinator of all institutes of religion in southern California when he was called to the First Council of the Seventy on April 6, 1964.

President Dunn's experience in the educational programs of the Church has given him keen insights into the needs and concerns of contemporary youth and adults. He has written many lessons for use in the auxiliaries, drawing upon his own experiences and his knowledge of youth and their problems. These insights and his pleasant personality are valuable assets in his present assignments in the Church, which include serving as international president of the LDS Student Association.



JOHN H. VANDENBERG

Presiding Bishop

In the late nineteenth century a band of devout immigrants from the Netherlands, converts to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, boarded a ship at Rotterdam to begin their journey to far-off Salt Lake Valley. Aboard the ship was handsome young Dirk Vandenberg, who was soon attracted to Maria Alkema. Their romance blossomed, and after they arrived in Utah, they were married in the Salt Lake Endowment House. From this union came six children, including a son, John Henry, born December 18, 1904, who was to become the ninth Presiding Bishop of the Church

in this dispensation.

The Vandenberg family settled in Ogden, and Bishop Vandenberg later declared that perhaps the thing that influenced him most and set the pattern for his whole life was the example of love and service set by his parents.

He decided early that accounting would be his life's work. He studied at Weber Academy and, through correspondence courses and additional study at night school, became proficient in business and finance. In 1925 he was called to serve a mission in the Netherlands. While there he served as

mission secretary, and it was in the mission home in Rotterdam that he met a lovely Netherlands girl, Ariena Stok. She later emigrated to Utah, and the couple were married in the Salt Lake Temple June 18, 1930. They now have two daughters.

Returning to Ogden, Bishop Vandenberg became associated with a livestock firm at the Ogden Union Stockyards. In 1940 he was transferred to Denver, where his interests also included textiles and ranching. He entered the audiovisual business in 1950. In 1955, he became vice chairman of the Church Building Committee, in charge of finances.

Throughout his life Bishop Vandenberg has been completely devoted to the Church, serving willingly in every position to which he has been called—ward choir director, elders quorum counselor, seventies quorum president, stake mission president. He was first counselor in the Denver Stake presidency and then second counselor in the Ensign Stake presidency, a position he held when, on September 30, 1961, he was sustained as Presiding Bishop.

As Presiding Bishop, he is holder of the keys of presidency over the Aaronic Priesthood. Asked what advice he would give to young boys today, he replied, "Live close to your parents and heed their counsel." Bishop John Vandenberg knows whereof he speaks, for remembering and following through the years the wise counsel and example of his immigrant parents has been one of the strongest motivating forces in his own life.

Bishop Robert L. Simpson possesses an engaging smile, one that says, "I know something that can make you better, and I'm just seeking an opportunity to share it with you."

Bishop Simpson was born August 8, 1915, at Salt Lake City, the son of Heber C. and Lille C. Leatham Simpson. The family moved to southern California when he was five. After graduating from Santa Monica City College, he was called to serve in the New Zealand Mission; and in being set apart, on April 14, 1937, he was blessed "with a knowledge of the people amongst whom you will labor."

During the second month of his mission he dreamed that he had returned home and found his family and the people of his ward all speaking the Maori tongue and that he could not understand a word they said. Awakening, he had two thoughts: he must put forth more effort to learn the language, and this knowledge of the language would be of value to him beyond the term of his mission. He worked at it, and in a short time the promise of his blessing was fulfilled.

When World War II began, Bishop Simpson was commissioned in the air force. Knowing that he might be assigned to a fighting front, he hoped it would be the South Seas, where he might again work with the Maori people. Instead, his air force unit was sent to Egypt. Within 48 hours he had discovered that at an adjacent base was an entire Maori battalion from New Zealand. Many of the South Sea islanders were homesick, and they welcomed the leisure-time



ROBERT L. SIMPSON
First Counselor in the Presiding Bishopric

counsel in their own tongue that he was able to give.

On June 24, 1942, he married in the Arizona Temple Jelaire Kathryn Chandler, a native of Ogden who, like himself, had grown up in southern California. They have two sons and a daughter.

Bishop Simpson served as a member of the Inglewood (California) Stake high council, then as counselor in his ward bishopric, stake mission president, and stake YMMIA superintendent. His vocation for 20 years was with the Pacific Telephone Company.

Many returned missionaries have a desire

to return to their mission area with their families. For Robert Simpson, this came true, for he was set apart as president of the New Zealand Mission July 28, 1958. He saw a temple and a college dedicated and two stakes organized, all within the confines of the mission.

He was called as first counselor in the Presiding Bishopric at the October 1961 general conference. In this position he is concerned with the temporal affairs of the Church; he is concerned with youth; and his is concerned with people—all the people of the Church.

When he was nine years old, Victor L. Brown was taken, with his brother, to the Alberta Temple to be sealed to his parents. "I can still remember, just as distinctly as though it were yesterday, the meaning of that ordinance. It brought the greatest peace into my heart that any experience has ever accomplished," he recalls. "On the appointed day I became very ill with a high fever. My parents considered postponing the appointment, but I pleaded with them not to delay one day. I wanted the assurance as a child that I would have my parents for time and all eternity."

This experience as a youth set the stage for a lifetime of service and love for the Church for Bishop Victor L. Brown, who is today second counselor in the Presiding Bishopric. He was born July 31, 1914, at Cardston, Alberta, Canada, a son of Gerald S. and Maggie Lee Brown and a nephew of President Hugh B. Brown. When he was 16 years old, the family moved to Salt Lake City, and he attended South High School, the University of Utah, and LDS Business College. He also studied at the University of California at Berkeley. In November 1936 he was married to Lois Kjar, and they are the parents of five children.

Bishop Brown's growth in the Church has been steady, his service including executive positions in the priesthood quorums and auxiliaries, bishop of the Denver Fourth Ward, and counselor in the Denver Stake presidency, where his fellow counselor was



VICTOR L. BROWN
Second Counselor in the Presiding Bishopric

the man with whom he was later to serve in the Presiding Bishopric—Bishop John H. Vandenberg.

In 1940 he began working for United Air Lines and served for the next 21 years in supervisory and management capacities in Washington, D.C., Denver, and Chicago. He was assistant to the director of reservations at Chicago when, in September 1961, he received a telephone call asking him if he could meet with President McKay in Salt Lake City early the next morning.

In President McKay's private office, he recalls, the Prophet's eyes penetrated deeply

into his own as he was asked to serve as counselor in the Presiding Bishopric. "At that moment, this thought went through my mind: 'Only one greater could be asking me to serve, and that would be the Savior himself.'"

Bishop Brown was sustained to his new calling on September 30, 1961, and set apart October 6, 1961. Among his new responsibilities and challenges has been establishing a translation, publication, and distribution organization for the Church, covering more than a dozen languages and spanning most of the mission areas of the world.



Fiftieth Anniversary of the Church Office Building

The Church Administration Building, 47 East South Temple, has been called one of the most beautiful office buildings in the world. But it is more than that. It is where the authorities of the Church have their offices and make many significant decisions that affect the entire Church membership. It is where many stake presidents and bishops come for counsel, and where members come, when so directed, to seek additional guidance. It is where missionaries come, in youthful eagerness, to the missionary department on the fourth floor. It is where

President David O. McKay has greeted many leaders of the nation and the world.

The cornerstone was laid in 1914, and the building was opened in 1917 during the administration of President Joseph F. Smith, sixth President of the Church. President Smith had his office there until his passing in November 1918.

The building, built on land once belonging to President Brigham Young, is directly west of the pioneer leader's two homes, the Beehive House and the Lion House. The exterior is granite, taken from the same area, some 25 miles south-

east of the site, as the granite for the Salt Lake Temple. The building's graceful and pleasing architectural style is Grecian Ionic. Twenty-four Ionic columns form a colonnade around the building, with heavy masses of masonry at each corner. A massive entablature, featuring many beautiful carvings, rests on the columns.

The building, five stories high plus the basement, is rectangular in shape, measuring 101 feet 11 inches on the front side and 165 feet 3 inches in depth, with a height above the ground of 80

feet. A total of 4,517 granite stones make up the structure. The largest stone, which served as the cornerstone, is at the southwest corner and weighs eight tons. The entire weight of the stone work is 6,205 tons.

Across the main entrance at the south of the building are bronze grills, which slide into the wall when the building is open. Beyond these, a pair of solid bronze and plate glass doors, hung in a frame of the same bronze material, open into a spacious entry hall whose floor is of white marble and whose walls are of Utah golden travise marble.

North of the entrance area is the main reception hall, which is also floored in marble, with 16 fluted monoliths made of golden travise marble.

At the extreme north end of this floor is a room for the First Presidency that is beautifully finished in walnut and marble. Along the east wall is a fireplace with a mantel of white travertine.

At the west side of the first floor is a board room where the General Authorities meet to discuss the affairs of the Church. This room, approximately the same size as the First Presidency's room, is characterized by a large Utah travertine mantel and fireplace with a marble hearth, reminiscent of the fact that an open fire was often needed in the days when the building was new.

The private office of President David O. McKay is in the northeast corner of the first floor. In this office, President Joseph F. Smith, President Heber J. Grant, and President George Albert Smith each also labored with the decisions that the

Prophet must make as he directs the Church and the kingdom here upon the earth.

From the entry hall of the first floor, an exquisitely curved marble staircase leads to the offices of the members of the Council of the Twelve, the Patriarch to the Church, the Assistants to the Council of the Twelve, the First Council of the Seventy, the Presiding Bishopric, the Church Historian, and others.

At general conference time, the building literally overflows with members of the Church who find occasion to enter it. At other times, groups of seminary students and others may be found touring the building and seeing for themselves some of the historic records stored there. Tourists, who are always welcome, may receive a pamphlet stating that Utah marble and onyx and rare wood from parts of the United States, Honduras, Caucasus (southeastern Russia), and elsewhere lend their beauty to the interior of the building.

The address of the Church Administration Building—47 East South Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah—has come to have much meaning for members of the Church. To a prospective missionary, an envelope bearing this return address is something to be anticipated with joy, to be read and reread until its contents are memorized, and then to be placed away among life's keepsakes. Third and even fourth generations of Church members are receiving direction and guidance that come from within this beautiful granite building as it begins its second half century of service. ○

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The Home Teacher and Understanding Human Nature

By Wilford D. Lee

Home teaching today is one of the most challenging undertakings in the Church. However, many home teachers do not realize either the difficulty or the complexity of their work, because most of them do not recognize the personal and social problems with which they must deal. As a result, many frustrated home teachers feel inadequate and disoriented because they do not know how to proceed.

The work of the home teacher falls into two general divisions—diagnosis and treatment. Each of these divisions contains difficulties which, unless the teacher understands them, make his teaching ineffective. Some failures stem from the fact that teachers are not acquainted with the laws that control human behavior.

Some of the ills that the teacher must diagnose are similar to the disabilities that confront the physician. Neither the physician nor the home teacher can proceed with successful treatment unless he knows what is wrong. When the patient is ill, the doctor subjects him to a series of tests. Having properly diagnosed the case, he proceeds with the treatment. The same is true with the home teacher. The point to remember is that neither the doctor nor the home teacher should attempt treatment until he is

sure of what causes the patient's symptoms. Thus, correct diagnosis is the first step.

Although the home teacher is not usually a counselor who is trained to diagnose personality problems, he is not completely without tools. He has some effective strengths and resources that many trained counselors do not have. In the first place, he is endowed with the priesthood, an important facet of which is the gift of discernment. This gift, when used by a gifted and devoted teacher, is a remarkable instrument. To further help in the process of diagnosis, the home teacher can use honest and sincere friendship, deep love, and the other gifts of the Holy Ghost.

Moreover, the home teacher would be more confident and less confused if he were aware of some of the principles of human behavior that he is attempting to diagnose. Often the home teacher must "fly blind"; he hesitates before entering the home of an inactive member, wondering how to proceed. Or perhaps the home teacher, unable to understand the attitudes of the inactive family, goes into the home,

makes a perfunctory visit, and hopes for the best.

But the wise home teacher, understanding what controls human behavior and working through the Spirit, will begin to explore the question, "What causes this person to be inactive?"

By and large, people's actions are controlled by their desires. If their desires coincide with the principles and practices of the gospel, all is well and good. But often when people follow their desires, they find themselves acting contrary to the teachings of the gospel. Adults, as well as children, tend to do those things that they like to do and avoid doing those things that they dislike. While there are notable exceptions to this rule, the home teacher would do well to study the likes and dislikes of each member of the inactive family. If he can discover what each family member does to obtain satisfaction, he may have a window into his soul.

In order to learn why a person acts as he does, the home teacher must

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If home teachers had a knowledge of attitudes, there would be less "flying blind" and perfunctory visiting.

also study such inner urges as whom he loves, what are his ambitions and aspirations, what are his ideals, his hopes, and his dreams. Usually people do not act because of what they know; rather, they act because of how they feel. Thus, feelings, or the emotionally charged forces within them, stimulate and control action. These motivating forces are called attitudes. Many observers are convinced that all human actions are activated by attitudes. For this reason home teachers must develop a knowledge of attitudes—where they come from, how they develop, and especially how they can be changed if they are negative.

One of the first things the home teacher should know is that while attitudes always contain some information, they are strongly emotional in nature; and it is the emotion, not the information, that causes the person to act.

Thus, when an attitude is fully developed, its emotional content is the sum total of all the feelings that the person experienced while it was developing. That is, attitudes develop as the result of one or a series of emotionally charged experiences. If the experiences were pleasant, the attitude will be pleasant and favorable, and the action that results will also be pleasant and favorable. On the other hand, if the experiences were unpleasant and unfavorable, the resulting attitude will also be unpleasant and unfavorable, and the actions or the refusal to act will be in accordance with the attitude.

Thus, depending upon the pleasantness or unpleasantness of the experiences, two persons having the same information can have opposite attitudes. It is not the information that causes the person to act; it is the favorableness or unfavorableness of the attitude. Therefore, if

the home teacher is to bring about a change of behavior, he must first change the feeling. And in this connection, in diagnosing the person's attitudes, the home teacher must discover how the person really feels. It may be that, for convention's sake, he will try to cover up his real attitudes; but careful observation of his unguarded speech and actions will usually reveal his true feelings.

The specialized attitudes that we call likes and dislikes are extremely important, because they control action. As long as a person likes good things and dislikes bad ones, all is well. It is only when a person learns to dislike good things and to like bad things that trouble begins. The home teacher has a real problem if he finds a member who has learned to dislike Sunday School, who does not support the Church authorities, and who has learned to like things that are bad for him. His difficulties are multiplied if these feelings have become fixed. It is not easy to change deeply imbedded likes and dislikes.

Perhaps the best way to become acquainted with peoples' attitudes is to listen attentively. The home teacher



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should not go into a home primarily to talk or to deliver a message; rather, he should listen to what the family members have to say. By intelligent questioning, he can get them to talk about themselves and their experiences. In this way he can discover the feelings that have caused the person to become inactive. This knowledge will help him to formulate a program of treatment. Little by little, as he listens with perception and understanding, he will gain skill in diagnosis; and through his own experiences with people, he will become more sensitive to the personal and social ills that may have caused a person to become indifferent to the Church. When the home teacher gains a person's confidence, that person will often reveal the innermost secrets of his heart. It is at this time that the most effective diagnosis can be made.

What can the home teacher do once he has completed his diagnosis? Can attitudes really be changed? Of course they can! Every day people repent and alter their lives in conformity to gospel ideals. But it is not easy. However, here is a rule that will bring about the desired change if it is followed long enough and applied strongly enough: Since an attitude is developed by having an experience, it can be changed only by having a stronger, opposite experience. An attitude is changed by the application of a strong, contrasting feeling. A strong, positive feeling will erase and destroy a negative feeling. A good feeling, if it is applied long enough, will destroy a bad feeling. But these feelings must be applied in the form of experiences. What experiences can a home teacher create and apply to an inactive person so as to destroy his antagonistic attitudes?

First, he can be a good friend. The emotional impact of real friendship is powerful, but any friendship is only as strong as the person who offers it. The home teacher who develops real friendship with an inactive person has a force working for him that is beyond price. Often friendship alone can work wonders in changing an inactive person's attitudes.

Second, the home teacher can apply love. In its purest form, love is the strongest force in the universe. However, it takes a really great person to love in the way Jesus loved. A man's ability to help his fellowman by his love is limited only by his power to grow.

The third and most powerful resource available to the home teacher is the Spirit of God. If the home teacher is honest in his search for spirituality, and if he uses the gifts of the Holy Ghost to counteract bad attitudes, he will find that he greatly increases his ability to substitute good feelings for bad feelings.

It is obvious, then, that every home teacher should become an expert on attitudes. He must not only learn to recognize both good and bad attitudes, but he must also discover their causes. Then he must create experiences that, when applied with friendship, love, and the Spirit of God, will bring about regeneration. Not until he has gained such knowledge and power will he be as effective a home teacher as he should be. If he hopes to succeed, he must act in accordance with the laws that control human behavior.

"There is a law, irrevocably decreed in heaven before the foundations of this world, upon which all blessings are predicated—

"And when we obtain any blessing from God, it is by obedience to that law upon which it is predicated." (D&C 130:20-21.)

The most effective home teacher is the one who studies carefully the laws that control human behavior. By developing skill in the application of these laws, he can influence for good those families assigned to him.

But every home teacher should be warned: do not weary in well doing. The man who has spent 40 years developing bad attitudes, whose likes and dislikes are contrary to the principles of the gospel, is not likely to change overnight. Probably, his regeneration will be long and painful. Nevertheless, now is the time to start. If a teacher truly loves his brother as himself, he can do no less. ○

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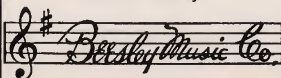
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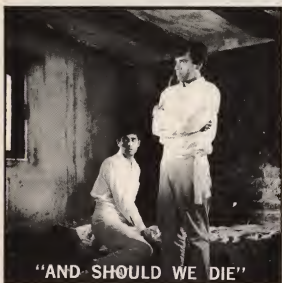
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"Now I'll see the Statue of Liberty," she said.

"But your dinner . . ."

Yíyía's wrinkled chin sharpened between the folds of her black shawl. She stood her ground. "Food can wait. Liberty cannot."

So I changed her ticket and wired home, then hustled her through the city and on to the ferry toward Bedloe Island. Yíyía never flinched. But when we stood looking up at the statue, her peppy eyes turned moist.

"Elefthería," she said. Tears flowed down the old face, and her rolling village dialect made the words ring. "Liberty—oh, my Liberty!"

I waited before I said, "Maybe we ought to go inside."

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20 Long Island Stake was created from parts of New York Stake by Elder Harold B. Lee of the Council of the Twelve and Elder ElRay L. Christensen, Assistant to the Council of the Twelve. Gordon E. Crandall was sustained as president with David D. Paine and Charles E. Neuman as counselors. Long Island Stake is the 439th now functioning. Elder Parley P. Pratt brought the gospel to New York City in July 1837. New York Stake was organized December 9, 1934.

George E. Watkins was sustained as president of New York Stake with Victor B. Jex and Harold D. Clawson as counselors.

21 Beginning this morning at 7:30, 96 teams began competition in the annual all-Church softball tournament.

Members of the Salt Lake Tabernacle Choir departed from the Salt Lake Airport for a whirlwind tour that would take them to Expo 67 at Montreal, Canada. Tonight the choir sang in concert at Omaha, as part of Nebraska's statehood centennial, and received a standing ovation.

22 The Salt Lake Tabernacle Choir gave the first of two evening concerts in the Theatre Maisonneuve at Expo 67, Montreal, Canada. The hall was packed to capacity and reviewers termed the performance "majestic."

23 Another well-received concert was presented by members of the Tabernacle Choir at Montreal this evening.

The first of several shipments of supplies from the Church Welfare Program left Salt Lake City by air to be used in flood-stricken Fairbanks, Alaska.

24 The Tabernacle Choir presented a concert before 25,000 to 35,000 enthusiastic listeners at Narragansett Park, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

Here's an idea! Give The Improvement Era this Christmas.

Salinas (California) Ward won the all-Church junior fast-pitch softball title by defeating Chandler (Arizona) 1st Ward, 5-2. Monument Park 5th Ward of Salt Lake City won the all-Church senior fast-pitch title in their game with Chandler (Arizona) 2nd Ward, 4-2.

25 President David O. McKay announced sites for the Ogden and Provo temples: Tabernacle Square in downtown Ogden, and Church-owned property northeast of the Brigham Young University campus in Provo, bounded by 2320 North and Rock Canyon Road, extending from about 800 to 1200 East.

The Tabernacle Choir sang at Chautauqua, New York.

Kearns (Utah) 4th Ward took the extra-inning championship all-Church junior slow-ball softball game from Midvale (Utah) 3rd Ward, 2-1. Price (Utah) 5th Ward outplayed Provo (Utah) 6th Ward in the senior slow-pitch game, 17-5.

26 The Tabernacle Choir joined the Philadelphia Orchestra and its conductor Eugene Ormandy at Saratoga Springs, New York, for a performance of Brahms' *Requiem*.

27 Olympia Stake was organized from portions of Puget Sound (Washington) Stake, with Herbert Springer Anderson sustained as president and Leslie W. Gilbert and Robert G. Davey as counselors. The stake was organized under the direction of Elder LeGrand Richards of the Council of the Twelve and Elder Alma Sonne, Assistant to the Twelve.

LuDene P. Snow was sustained as president of Puget Sound Stake with Walter Behring and James M. Greenhalgh as counselors.

Palm Springs Stake was organized from the Palm Springs District of the California South Mission, with Quinten Hunsaker as president and John H. Lake and Charles Ronald Green as

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counselors. This stake was organized under the direction of Elder Howard W. Hunter of the Council of the Twelve and Elder William J. Critchlow, Jr., Assistant to the Council of the Twelve. The two new stakes bring the total now functioning to 441.

Thomas Leonard Hall was sustained as president of Riverside (Salt Lake City) Stake, succeeding Robert L. Bridge, deceased. Counselors are Floyd Hill Gowans and Lowell Lavar Leishman.

The Tabernacle Choir joined the Philadelphia Orchestra and guest soloists to present Messiah, with Eugene Ormandy directing, at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center.

28 Detroit, Michigan, music-lovers played hosts to the Salt Lake Tabernacle Choir this evening as the Choir's tour continued.

29 Tulsa, Oklahoma, was the scene of tonight's Salt Lake Tabernacle Choir concert. An estimated 9,000 persons were in attendance.

30 Shortly after midnight members of the Tabernacle Choir returned to Salt Lake City from their nine-day, 6,300-mile, ten-concert tour.

31 Promised Valley, the musical depicting the pioneers coming to the Salt Lake Valley, closed for the season after a two-month run in the Temple View outdoor theater. It is estimated that 147,000 persons saw the performances this summer.

September 1967

8 President David O. McKay spent a quiet day in Huntsville on the 94th anniversary of his birth. Here, on the farm where he was born, and surrounded by his family, he received thousands of congratulatory messages.

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This evening a half-hour program on KSL-TV featured the life of the President.

10 Norman H. Bangerter was sustained as president of Granger (Salt Lake County) Stake with Maurice M. Harmon and Wesley P. Thompson, Jr., as counselors.

17 El Monte Stake, the 442nd now functioning, was organized from parts of West Covina (California) Stake by Elder Delbert L. Stapley of the Council of the Twelve and Patriarch Eldred G. Smith. James C. Brown was sustained as stake president with Richard E. Miner and Mayo W. Smith as counselors.

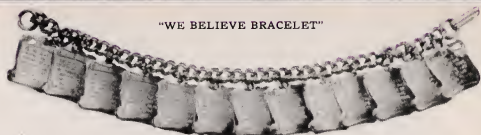
24 This was the annual David O. McKay Day in Ogden and Weber County, Utah. Speakers at a meeting in the Ogden Tabernacle included Elder Ezra Taft Benson of the Council of the Twelve. Representing the family was President McKay's son, David Lawrence McKay, general superintendent of the Sunday School.

Fort Worth (Texas) Stake was organized from parts of Dallas Stake by Elder Harold B. Lee of the Council of the Twelve and Elder Theodore M. Burton, Assistant to the Twelve. John Kelley, Jr., was sustained as president of this, the 443rd stake, with John W. Porter and Mark R. Berrett as counselors.

24 The first Italian branch in Rome was organized, with Elder John Abner, a missionary, as president. Counselors are Robert Bollingbroke and Irnerio Maffi. Rome was opened to missionary work in January, 1967; 87 persons have been baptized since the Italian Mission was organized in August 1966.

27 The annual conference of the Relief Society convened at 9:30 this morning in the Tabernacle.

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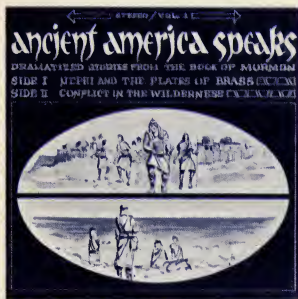


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Today's Family

By Florence B. Pincock

Thanks for the Memory

We are what we are now doing, plus what we have done that has slipped into memories. This is a strange combination, because what we are now doing changes instantly into the memory category, and we step into new action. Memories stack up one upon another as the years pass, until late in life the "now" action comes to a near halt and the memories take over. But in the in-between years there is a balance. Memories are important, but they will never compare with the "now" action. Potent memories, nevertheless, constantly guide our actions.

Looking back to the very first glimpse of you, what do you see? I remember being in my aunt's arms as she walked down a narrow boardwalk to the end of the garden. As she carried me, I was screaming at the top of my lungs. A new baby had just been born in our home, and I wanted to be present. This aunt kept telling me that if I'd be quiet she would take me to the house, and I kept crying to her, "If you'll take me to the new baby, I'll be quiet." The memory ends there, and to this day I don't know who won the battle, but this really is the beginning of me in my mind's

eye today. This minute other memories are crowding. Some are happy and warm and gay, and others are made of stronger materials but are rewarding.

I can remember parents, kind and understanding and always proud when I did my best. They kept telling me that the only person I had to compete with was myself. I was always to do better today than I did yesterday. This memory of them has many times made me stand tall when I really wanted to run and hide. Then there are memories of a father and mother trying so hard to do their best that we children could not let them down. There was the time a block was thrown and a hand ready to hit, and a parent's voice said, "In our family we do not hit anyone; we're bigger and stronger and smarter than that. There are other ways to convince."

Tradition is a memory builder. Someone recently said, "This generation does not believe in tradition. It wants new ways to do things, new thoughts, and new actions." The young people I know prove this false. Maybe they want longer hair and purple Christmas trees, but stepping out from their desires come the words: "Our family always does. . . ." These traditions have many facets. For instance, one family always goes to grandma's and grandpa's home


early on Halloween evening all dressed in their eerie costumes. There they have supper and are then on their way to ring bells and knock on neighbors' doors. Another family never fails to meet in a friendly garden early on the Fourth of July. There they have a trout breakfast combined with a togetherness that colors the entire summer.

Then, of course, through the years families have other wonderful memories of prayers around the breakfast and dinner tables, of meeting together to gain strength from each other as problems arise, and of praying together when a family member is about to leave on a journey.

Words also form memories, such as: "Remember who you are," said by parents as their sons and daughters go on dates, or "Have a happy day." These cheerful words from mother as each leaves for school or work always seem to start the day off just right.

Food as a tradition enters the picture, and memories are made of crusty bread biscuits and chili on the first snowy winter night, pink divinity in a heart-shaped satin box centering the dinner table on Valentine's Day, Yorkshire pudding making the Sunday dinner delectable, homemade caramels and pecan rolls as a holiday treat, Sunday evening gatherings around an ice cream freezer. And so families go on and on from taste buds to memory lane.

Material things are also stacked up in memory's image: books given as prizes and rewards for helping in the home, colorful new dresses on Christmas morning, a little money and a great deal of elbow grease spent to make the big room downstairs attractive and fun to bring dates home to, trees to climb, ropes to jump, fences to walk, and games to play—all enrich memories.



Each minute holds memories to make rich the future moments. As we are giving thanks this November, let's include a thanks for our memories.

EVERY CRUMB COUNTS

Do you find yourself throwing away stale bread? Small children often discard their crusts, toast is left over at breakfast time, and bread becomes stale when not stored correctly or when not used up quickly. The result is waste, and there is a remedy for this. Every crumb can be used for nourishment in some way. Stale white, whole wheat, rye, and corn bread can be used in a variety of dishes—some in the form of soft bread crumbs, others as finely ground hard crumbs, still others as slices or cubes of bread. Play a game of discovering new ways to use up stale bread.

Suggestions to Use Every Crumb

Store all leftover semi-soft bread in a cool, dry, clean place. Do not use an air-tight container, or mold will form.

Soft crumbs may be kept in a perforated plastic bag in the refrigerator.

Fine, hard bread crumbs are best stored in the refrigerator in a jar with a lid. To make these crumbs, use bread that has dried out in a warm oven or in a dry open place. Break one slice at a time into the electric blender and it will crumb immediately, or grind the hard, crisp bread in the food grinder, or drop slices of bread in a plastic bag and crush with the rolling pin.

Bread crumbs act as thickeners when added to casseroles or gravies.

Hard, dry crumbs add body when added to dips. Use only a small amount.

Especially during the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons, stale bread reaches its peak of popularity. It seems that

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there are never enough soft or hard bread crumbs to make all the dressing needed to fill the turkeys. Start saving bread weeks in advance.

Crumbs are a popular topping for casseroles. Always mix them with melted butter and seasonings before sprinkling them over the casserole.

Nothing has been found that is better to coat meats, fish, and poultry than seasoned bread crumbs. Season with paprika, pepper, parsley, onion salt, minced green onions, garlic salt, nutmeg, cinnamon, cloves, sage, oregano, etc.

Croquettes are made easier to handle for baking and frying if they are rolled in crisp, seasoned bread crumbs.

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Bread crumbs can take the place of part of the flour in griddle cakes, cookies, and cakes. The crumbs seem to add to the lightness of the finished product.

Try adding a few crisp crumbs to brown sugar, nuts, and butter to use as a topping for muffins, breakfast cakes, and fruit crisp desserts.

Make croutons from stale bread and fish. Trim crusts from 2- or 3-day-old white bread. Cut each slice into 1/2-inch cubes. Sauté in melted butter until golden brown on all sides, or butter and toast in a 250° F. oven until brown.

Bread Crumb Cooking

Crumb Griddlecakes

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- 1 1/2 cups scalded milk
- 3 tablespoons melted butter
- 1 1/2 cups fine dry bread crumbs
- 2 eggs, well beaten
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 4 teaspoons baking powder

Soak the crumbs in the milk and butter until soft; add the other ingredients and mix lightly. Bake on hot griddle.

Day-After Croquettes

(5 servings)

- 3 tablespoons butter
- 6 tablespoons flour
- 1 cup hot milk
- 1 egg yolk
- 1 tablespoon minced onion
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 2 cups finely diced turkey
- 1 cup dry bread crumbs
- 1 egg
- salad oil or melted shortening

Melt the butter and blend in the flour. Gradually add the milk and cook until very thick, stirring. Take from heat and stir in the egg yolk. Return to heat and cook, stirring, about 1 minute. Add the seasonings and turkey; spread the mixture in a shallow pan and refrigerate at least 2 hours. Form into croquettes and roll in crumbs. Chill again. Beat the egg with 3 tablespoons water. Dip the croquettes into egg; roll again in crumbs and chill well. Deep fry in 300° F. shortening or salad oil until golden brown. Drain on paper towels. Serve with a sauce made of one can of cream of mushroom soup and 1/2 cup milk, seasoned with pepper and a dash of sage.

Herb Chicken

(5 servings)

- 1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup
- 3/4 cup milk
- 1 tablespoon minced onion
- 1 tablespoon minced parsley
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 2 pounds chicken parts
- 1 cup fine dry bread crumbs
- 1/2 teaspoon poultry seasoning
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons melted butter
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice

Mix 1/2 cup soup, 1/4 cup milk, onion, parsley, and paprika. Dip chicken in the soup mixture, then roll in a mixture of the dry bread crumbs, poultry seasoning, and salt. Place in shallow baking dish. Pour butter on chicken. Bake at 400° F. for 1 hour. Combine remaining soup, milk, and the lemon juice and heat. Stir. Serve over hot chicken.

Family Casserole

(6 servings)

- 1/2 pound chipped beef
- 1 cup diced celery
- 1 cup finely diced onion
- 2 tablespoons shortening
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 2 cups milk
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 3/4 cup grated American cheese
- 1 cup chopped ripe olives
- 2 ounces wide egg noodles, cooked, drained, and seasoned
- 3/4 cup soft bread crumbs
- 2 tablespoons melted butter

Cut the chipped beef into small pieces. Cook celery and onion in the shortening until tender. Stir in flour. Add the milk and cook, stirring constantly, until thickened. Add the pepper. Remove from heat. Add the cheese and stir until melted. Add the dried beef and olives. Combine with noodles and pour into a greased 2-quart casserole. Mix crumbs and butter and sprinkle over the mixture. Bake in a 350° F. oven for 20 to 30 minutes.

Supper Eggs

(3 servings)

- 1 cup whole milk
- 1 cup cream
- 1 teaspoon onion salt
- Dash cayenne, Tabasco, paprika
- 6 eggs
- 1/2 cup fine dry buttered crumbs
- 3/4 cup grated American or Parmesan cheese

Heat the cream and milk over low heat; add the seasonings. When mixture is hot, break each egg, one at a time, in a saucer and slip carefully into the mixture. As the eggs begin to set, sprinkle the crumbs and cheese



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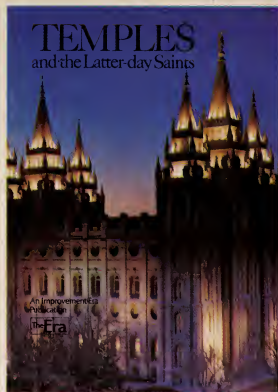
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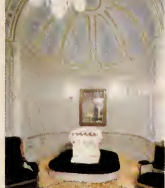
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Breaded Pork Cutlets (4 servings)

- 1 pound lean loin pork cutlets
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- $\frac{2}{3}$ cup dry bread crumbs
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon poultry seasoning
- $\frac{1}{3}$ teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{3}$ teaspoon pepper
- 2 tablespoons salad oil
- 1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup
- $\frac{1}{2}$ soup can milk

Pound the cutlets very thin. Dip each one into egg, then into a mixture of the crumbs and seasonings. Heat the oil in skillet. Sauté the cutlets over medium heat until golden on both sides. Combine soup and milk and add to cutlets. Reduce heat, simmer gently covered for 20 to 30 minutes. Serve with the sauce.

Sunny Pudding (6 servings)

- $2\frac{1}{2}$ cups $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch stale bread cubes
- 2 cups milk
- $\frac{2}{3}$ cup sugar
- 2 eggs, slightly beaten
- Dash of salt and nutmeg
- 1 lemon—juice and grated rind
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon lemon extract
- 5 tablespoons melted butter
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup coconut

Soak the bread in the milk for about one-half hour. Combine remaining ingredients and mix with bread cubes. Bake in a buttered casserole set in a shallow pan of water at 350° F. for about 45 minutes. Serve warm with whipped cream.

Top Stove Pudding (6 servings)

- $4\frac{1}{2}$ slices stale white bread
- 1 tablespoon butter
- $1\frac{3}{4}$ cups light brown sugar, packed firmly
- 4 eggs
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups evaporated milk
- Dash salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Trim crusts from bread and spread bread with butter. Cut into $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch squares. Butter top section of double boiler. Pour in brown sugar; add bread cubes. Beat eggs and add remaining ingredients, and then pour over the bread cubes; don't stir. Cover and cook over boiling water about 1 hour or until silver knife inserted in center comes out clean. Add water to bottom of double boiler when needed. Serve warm with the butterscotch sauce from the bottom of pudding poured over. Garnish with chopped nuts. ○



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**Morals
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Immanuel Kant (1724-1804) posited a "universal rule" of "right behavior" based on the Christian ethic. Men, he said, should treat humanity "in every case as an end withal, never as a means only." Civil society should be based on "the liberty of every member of the society. . . ."

We refer to this doctrine in everyday speech as human dignity, the golden rule, the moral law, the categorical imperative, and so forth. Kant felt the "rule" constituted a "spontaneous rule of action" for all



men. Alas, it is not, even in western Christianity, Hellenism, and Judaism, whence Kant derived his inspiration. Rather, "power politics," the use of force (or the threat of its use), is the means employed in world affairs.

American foreign policy is often encased and expressed in Kantian terms. Viewing the world as an organized system of states, Americans expect other nations, all too often, to behave in terms of Kant's categorical imperatives, to spontaneously seek to uphold human dignity and liberty. It is a long road to such ends. In an address to the United Nations September 25, 1961, President John F. Kennedy said: "My country favors a world of free and equal states." Woodrow Wilson made popular the phrase "self-determination of peoples." Both expressions underlie America's justification for being in Korea and South Vietnam—to help the South Koreans and the South Vietnamese maintain "their liberty and freedom." But the world of free and equal states is not yet.

In domestic politics, Americans generally pay lip service to the ideals of Kantian doctrine. There are woeful exceptions. But as pragmatists and idealists, Americans extol the politics of peaceful

Although Communism will pass,
totalitarian states will not
disappear soon, the author claims.

adjustment. They regard obtaining agreement as high civic virtue, and compromise as the essence of political skill.

In foreign affairs Americans can attain some degree of rational compromise in dealing with nations that have the same acculturation. Others see only the alternative of recognizing American power as the necessity for compromise. Despite systems and regimes that glorify human dignity as an end in itself, the world continues to operate on the principles of power politics or force.

Communist states are a 20th century version of such states. Communism will eventually take its place with all the other heresies that have arisen in the past. But the problem—and totalitarian states—will not disappear soon. New heresies will arise, backed by weapons, armies, force, economic power, and powerful states for support.

The thing that has made contemporary Communism a real threat is the existence of Russian power and Chinese power. A situation that makes for hope in the world is that Russian power and Chinese power have tended to be divided and tend to confront each other. This pluralism in the Communist camp, rather than monolithic and centralized unity, has been a real blessing. The fact that France, led by a devout Catholic general, does not confuse morals and politics internationally, but uses French power and influence to further intercede between Kantian westerners and eastern Marxists, has, on occasion, also been a tactical, if not a strategic, blessing.

The statesmen and politicians of the world, no matter what the domestic political situation, tend to be practical men. Stalin's reputed query about the Pope, "How many divisions has he?" illustrates this, as did the Cuban missile crisis, and as has President Charles

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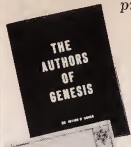


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Single-will, single-doctrine, non-tolerant states will continue for some time. Their heritage and background runs deeper and wider than the politics of pluralism, compromise, and human dignity. This does not justify their behavior in our eyes. But it should help us understand and therefore deal with them more intelligently.

International politics are made difficult by the fact that individuals who make up tolerant states intrude their private and domestic moral expectations into the international field. This makes statesmanship very difficult for leaders of America and nations having similar value systems. Political science argues that America would progress further, and get along better in the world, if she viewed foreign affairs coldly, in the light of the facts of power, influence, force, and not "overreact" in the light of what constitutes acceptable behavior from her point of view.

Human beings should not forget these moral differences. Business may occasionally be necessary with "the bad guys" as well as with "the good guys." However, no one should think business is done with these different forces in the same way. An American-Canadian deal is very different from an American-Chinese deal. A deal with Spain's Franco may produce an air base, but has not yet created opportunities for evangelical churches.

Politicians generally "deal" on the basis of power politics. It is easier when done in one's own language and within comparable value systems. According to the Sermon on the Mount, hallmark of

western morality, God sends the rain to fall on the just and the unjust, and tares grow with the wheat. In international politics the United States of America may have to reckon with the divine nature, which has not killed the devil. Rather, God permits Lucifer to co-exist in our realm, in order to challenge men's virtue and abilities. Maybe Communism and other heresies are realistically seen as challenges, opportunities for our ingenuity to overcome, rather than as embodiments before which to fear and tremble. The power of evil cannot be overestimated. Nor can it be ignored. But to deal with it on "power" terms may be better than misspent moral fury.

Such an attitude may be quite essential in these times of mass destruction and interdependency.

Catholic and Protestant relations in France, from Henry IV and the Edict of Nantes (April 1598) to its revocation by Louis XIV (October 18, 1685), to the final separation of church and state December 9, 1905, are instructive. Communist-capitalist relations have never been as bitter for so long as among Protestant and Catholic Frenchmen during those centuries. The resolution was first bitter and bloody. Then followed protracted tension and, finally, equilibrium. The hope of power politics in the last decades of the 20th century is that the resolution of current ideological differences, whether racial antagonisms in our domestic life or in international affairs, may be less bloody and destructive. That the hope exists is important. We must remember that such hopes are relatively new to history. Thomas Hobbes' description of man's life as "nasty, brutish, and short" is still the norm in most

parts of the world today.

The inexorable processes of power politics, of states seeking advantages here, advantages there; wheeling, dealing, threatening; applying economic, psychological, and military pressures, may accomplish more if the process is not complicated by moral outcries. I believe this lesson was learned on the American frontier by the settler, in his besieged cabin, with his Springfield rifle. Practical self-preservation was the first law. Moral indignation directed at the aborigine's beliefs did not get him very far, except to organize others for the better exertion of "power politics."

We will cope with the problems of international politics more intelligently if we view them as political, rather than as moral problems only. To do so, I believe, is the moral thing to do. It will conserve our own moral energies for places where we can put them to work best, beginning with ourselves and our homes. This is another way to make politics more moral, in the sense of recognizing human dignity and value as categorical imperatives, in the long run. But what a difficult road to travel—especially for people filled with prejudices, biases, values, and personal convictions of special truth, as most people are! And as we are stimulated and provoked to react by modern mass communications!

But let us keep cool, calm, and rational. In the interests of both morals and politics, let us confuse them as little as possible. Let us keep both strong, vital, and interacting by not confusing them. Perhaps this is one way toward treating men "in every case" as ends, "never as means only." ○

End of an Era

My two young sons were playing chess. The ten-year-old was attempting to teach the eight-year-old the rules as they proceeded to play their first game. Upon the older boy's capturing his brother's "bishop," the younger boy asked, "Now, do I go after your counselors?"

—Richard G. Buckmiller,
San Mateo, California

This is your only chance to fill today with blessings; what are you doing about it?

—Nina Willis Walter

Man is an eternal being; his body is eternal. It may die and slumber, but it will burst the barriers of the tomb and come forth in the resurrection of the just.

—President John Taylor

A small boy rushed home from school one afternoon to announce breathlessly that his class was going to be divided into two sections. "I'm going to be in the top one; the other one is for backward readers," he explained. "But," he added, "we don't know who's going to be in it because there's not a kid in the room who can read backwards!"

—Dorothea Kent, Lansing, Michigan

Life Among the Mormons

Fathers' and Sons' Outing

By Virginia Maughan Kammeyer

They slept on the ground for two whole nights
And lay and scratched mosquito bites.

They swam, and both got sunburned faces.
They came in last in all the races.

At dinner they sat down to eat
Half-raw potatoes, frizzled meat.

It rained, and so one day was spent
Huddled and soaking in their tent.

And what did they say, this son and dad,
When they got home? "Best time we've had!"

So once in every year we throng

Upon a day apart,
To praise the Lord with feast and song

In thankfulness of heart.

—Arthur Guiterman,
"The First Thanksgiving"

*A little thing may be perfect, but
perfection is not a little thing.*

—Thomas B. Aldrich

"Can you operate a typewriter?"

"Yes, sir. I use the biblical system:
seek and ye shall find."

*It took me 15 years to discover
I had no talent for writing, but I
couldn't give it up because
by that time I was too famous.*

—Robert Benchley

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A Story Called



Kindness

By Lee Moe Christensen

None but Larry and I knew that the reason he was late for school and had lost credit on his English theme was because I hadn't stopped to offer him a ride this morning. Mother had been trying for days to get me to enter a writing contest, and this morning at breakfast I told her I just couldn't. History finals were coming up, I was spending three hours a day on the ball field, and the English theme, due this morning, had taken two weeks of hard research to complete. No, I just couldn't enter that contest, and with these things on my mind I had forgotten to give Larry a ride to school.

Larry Smith was lame from birth. This morning as he limped into class he was chastised severely for being late, and he lost credit on his theme. He placed the tardy work on Mr. Jensen's desk and edged toward his seat. As he stooped to pick up a pencil I saw the tear in his eye. But he looked over toward me with a big smile and said, "Hi, Joe." I knew the reason for the tear and felt a twinge of conscience that because of my lack of thoughtfulness he had lost credit on the theme that he had spent so many hours preparing.

After class Larry was waiting for me by the door. "Hey, Joe," he said, "I just wanted to tell you that surely was a fine article you wrote for the school paper. Good luck in the game." Then he hobbled down the hall.

Everywhere I went today I saw Larry. I noticed him at the back of the lunch line at noon, and sitting by himself in the afternoon assembly. And tonight after school, there was Larry cheering at the baseball game for the boy who hadn't bothered to give him a ride to school.

After the game and a shower I looked for Larry. I wanted to tell him how sorry I was about his English theme and my not offering him a ride to school. I wanted to thank him for complimenting me on my paper article and wishing me luck on my game. I wanted to thank him for cheering during the ball game. I just wanted to be his friend. But Larry wasn't to be found. They told me he was at the library. As I drove past I knew that somewhere inside Larry would have his head buried in textbooks, trying with all his heart to make up some lost English credit.

As I pulled into our driveway there was Mom with a smile on her face. "Oh, hello, Son. Glad you're home. Did you learn lots today?"

"Oh yes, Mom," I cried. "If you only knew how much I learned today. Mom, will you help me? I want to enter that writing contest after all. I want to write a story called 'Kindness.'"

A winner in the 1967 Era of Youth Writing Contest, Elder Lee Moe Christensen is now a missionary in Australia. He is 20, and his home is in Spanish Fork, Utah.



Face to Face

... with someone you've
always wanted to meet.

"Happiness isn't always doing what you WANT to do. Sometimes it's doing what you don't want to do, and being glad you did."

That's the last thing Sister Jessie Evans Smith said to us as we left the interesting apartment where she and her husband, President Joseph Fielding Smith, live. As you know, he is a member of the First Presidency of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Listening to her speak this truth so fervently, we couldn't help considering that just visiting her was something we'd always wanted to do.



(Pictured with Sister Jessie Evans Smith
are Cindy Bodine and Michelle Moench)

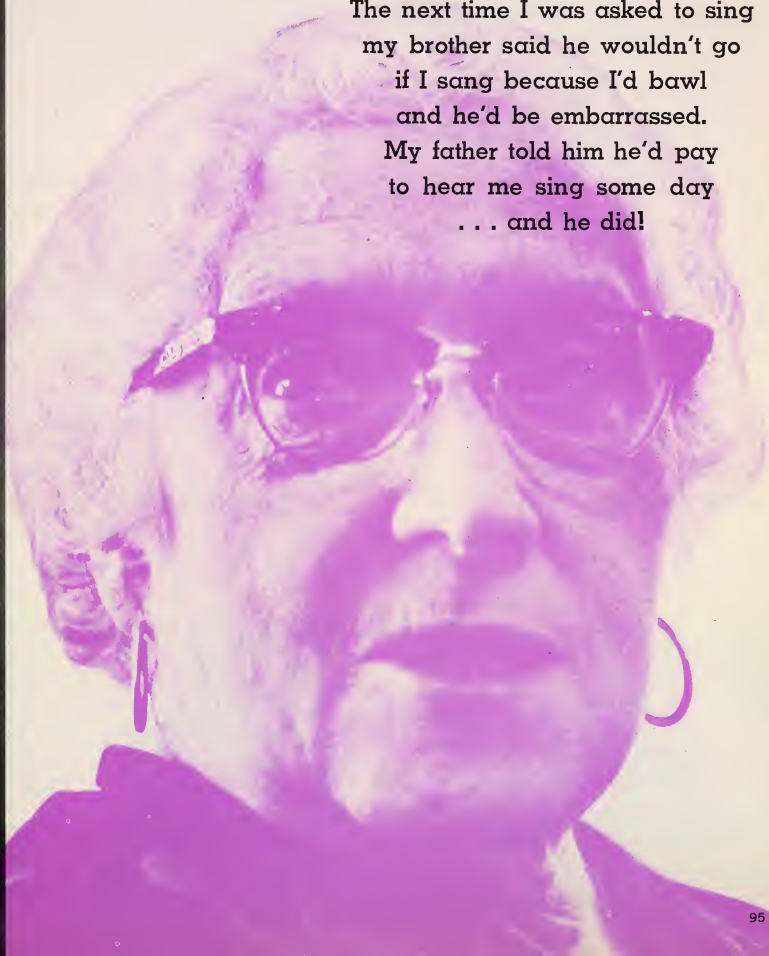
Q: When did you start singing?

A: I sang my first song
when I was six years old.

It was "I Think When I Read
That Sweet Story of Old";
and when I came
to the part about

"his hands could have been
placed on my head," I wept.

The next time I was asked to sing
my brother said he wouldn't go
if I sang because I'd bawl
and he'd be embarrassed.
My father told him he'd pay
to hear me sing some day
... and he did!



and how glad we are we did it! There just isn't anybody like her anywhere.

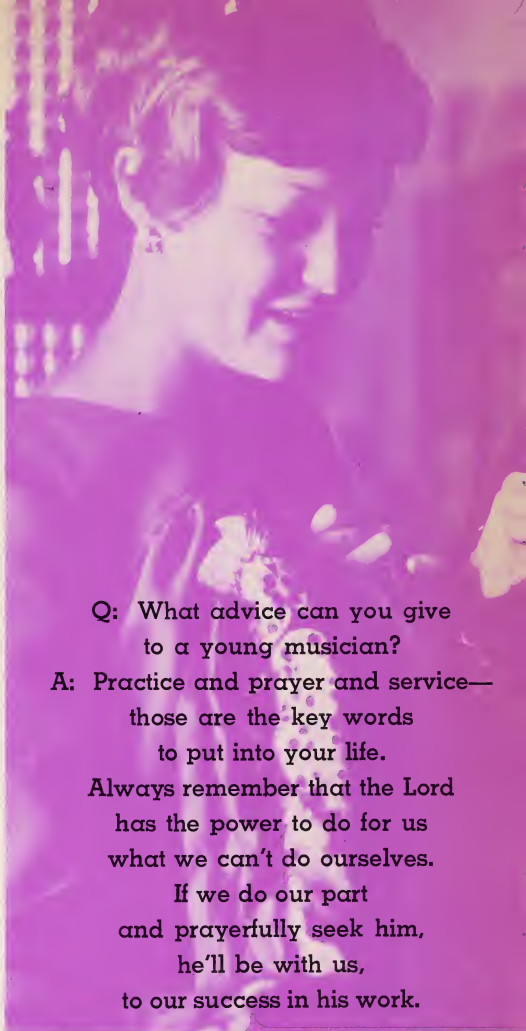
It was arranged by the Era of Youth editors for us aspiring musicians to learn some lessons from someone who has really had success in this field. We asked her questions. We looked at her fabulous magnifying glass invention. We noted souvenirs from their travels all over the world. We fingered the elegant quilt that Sister Smith has made from ties donated by the men of the Tabernacle Choir. (What a novel ideal!) We looked at clippings from her opera days and listened to the stories of the exciting people she's met. We listened to her read from President Smith's books. We felt her spirit as we blended voices in a hymn of worship. What a thrill that was! Her diction is perfect. And before we left, we must have asked her a hundred questions.

Q: Do you believe a talent like yours is a gift of God?

A: Oh, yes!

One of my favorite sayings is "A song from the heart will be answered with a blessing on your head."

I've taken the gift of song given to me and tried to repay my Father in heaven by serving him. And how I've been blessed!



Q: What advice can you give to a young musician?

A: Practice and prayer and service—those are the key words to put into your life.

Always remember that the Lord has the power to do for us what we can't do ourselves.

If we do our part and prayerfully seek him, he'll be with us, to our success in his work.



Q: Have you ever had to make a choice between the pursuit of music and the Church?

A: Well, when I was asked to become a contralto with the Metropolitan Opera, I told them I'd have to pray about it. And I did.

I also studied my patriarchal blessing, which said that my name would be heard at home and abroad for my ability to entertain but that success would come in the service of the Lord.

That was my answer. I came home and joined the Tabernacle Choir, and I've sung all over the world.

I try to learn at least one song in the native tongue of each country we visit.

And I have more requests to sing on radio programs than I can fill.



Dear Family:

June 25, 1967

Well, as time goes on things are becoming better and better.

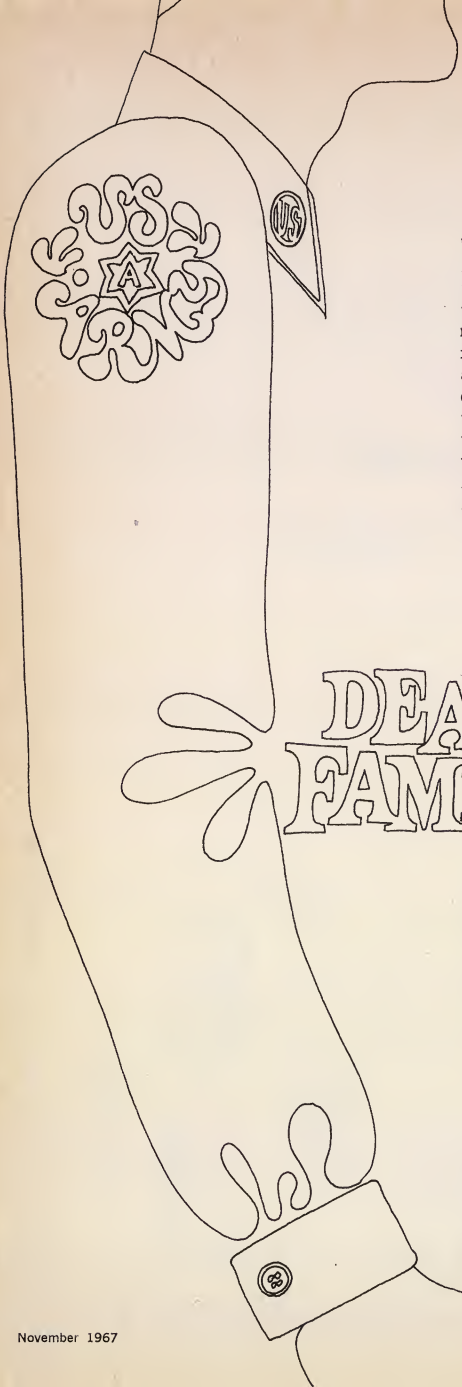
I have really enjoyed the army the last couple of weeks. Last night on guard duty when I was alone, I asked myself why. The reason is all 100 percent attitude. When I first arrived I had a desire for a good attitude, but it takes time. I've got it now, I believe, for sure.

After my mind-wandering on guard duty, I went to bed. Today as I woke up I promised myself that during the day I would at all times keep a wholesome attitude and try to absorb everything that was offered. First of all, we had reveille and saluted as the music played and the flag went upward. As I watched it I thought of all the fabulous opportunities those three beautiful colors symbolize. During the day we were taught first aid and more gun-and-weapon assembly. As I took my M-14 apart, cleaned it, and then reassembled it, I had a feeling of satisfaction as though I had really

learned something. It was great! My biggest thrill came tonight when retreat sounded. I saluted while the colors slowly came to the ground. It made chills go up and down my spine. As the color guard was folding the colors I felt selfish because I had thoughts of wishing I were home. When I came back to the barracks, I had a good feeling, and I thanked God for giving me a great country and wonderful parents to help me appreciate it.

Probably the most important thing this country has given me is the freedom to belong to the Church. It has given me the right to worship how, where, or what I may, and gives every other man that same privilege. How great it is! The army is doing nothing but good for me, which I realize now. The things I am learning each day are things I can use in just about anything I do. Is it too much to ask of me to spend four and one-half months, or two years if need be, serving the country that has given me 18 years of happiness? I don't think so.

John Westwood was in basic training at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, when he wrote this letter to his parents. It was not meant for publication, but with their permission we are printing it.



Well, I want to thank you for putting in my mind the right ideas about this great country in which we live, and thanks for the Church you've brought me up in, and, last of all, thank you for being you. May God bless you all and may he give me the desire to use in my day-to-day life the things that you've taught me, because it is just now that I realize that the advice I sometimes thought was old-fashioned and out of it is essential to my being a balanced individual.

DEAR FAMILY

I've also learned how much I need my Heavenly Father and am so grateful for him.

Thanks for everything.

Sure love you all!

JOHN

What Every LDS Youth Should Know



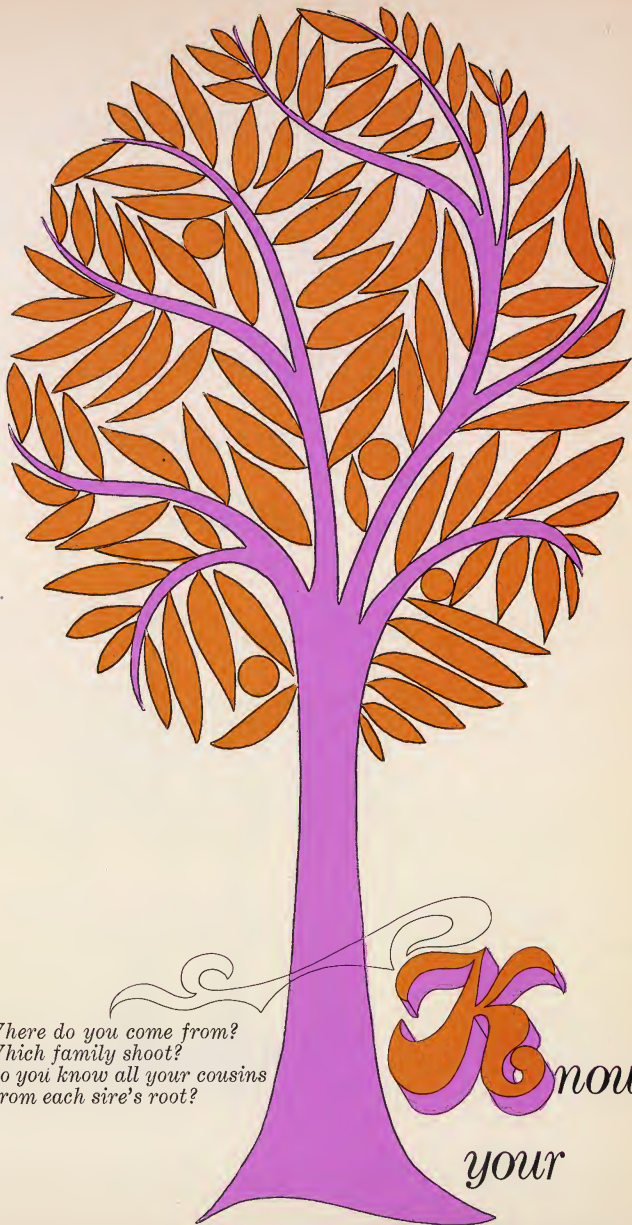
*Presidents Joseph Smith, and Young;
Taylor next,
then Woodruff, Snow;*

*Joseph F. Smith
followed him,
Then Grant and Smith
(George Albert, you know);
And the Prophet we revere today,
President David O. McKay.*



*K*now the gospel

*Read the books
Heed the word
Love thy neighbor
Serve the Lord.
"I'll serve the Lord
while I am young"
is what we sing in church;
And if we try to do his will,
He'll help us in our search.*

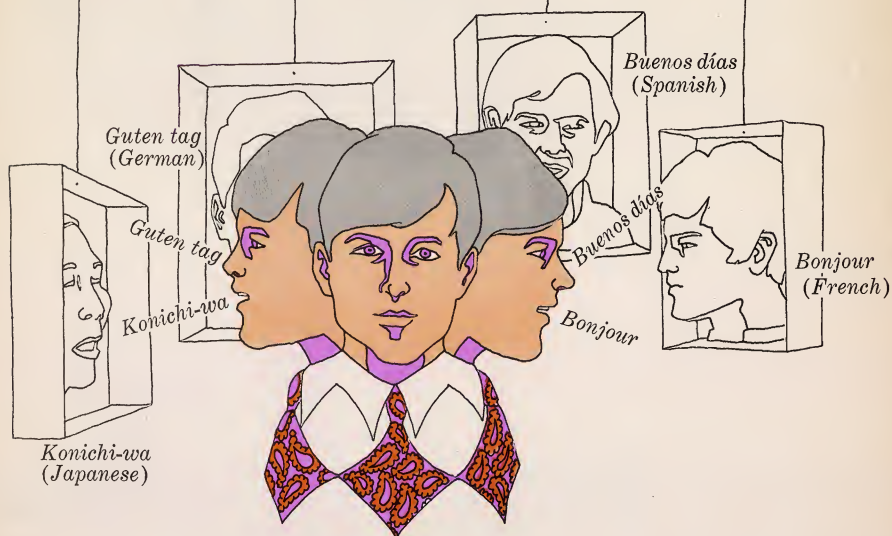


*Where do you come from?
Which family shoot?
Do you know all your cousins
From each sire's root?*

*K*now
your
family tree

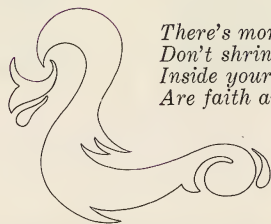


now
your missionary
greeting





now
yourself



*There's more to you than limb and part,
Don't shrink or fear or cower;
Inside your youthful mind and heart
Are faith and strength and power.*

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- Each entry must be designated by a pen name and must be accompanied by a sealed envelope containing:
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 2. The following statement: "This work is original," signed by the author. (Original means that it is the work of the writer and not something copied from some other source or planned or written by others.)
- At the top of the first page of the manuscript, the author should write either BYU, RICKS, or CHURCH COLLEGE OF HAWAII, to designate which school he/she would be interested in attending if the entry merits a scholarship award.
- Entries must be mailed to the Era of Youth Writing Contest, *The Improvement Era*, 79 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, postmarked not later than December 31, 1967.
- Winning entries become the property of *The Improvement Era*. The Era reserves first publication rights to all entries. Payment for non-winning entries will be made upon publication. No entries will be returned.
- All entries should be suitable for publication in *The Improvement Era*.



Three teenagers from Payneham Ward in Australia won prizes in *The Era's* Youth Writing Contest.

At a recent Adelaide Stake conference, Superintendent G. Carlos Smith, Jr., of the YMMIA presented special medallions to David Sturt, George Watt,

and Orlandina Bonavita.

George Watt is the Payneham Ward Era director and the enthusiast who encouraged all three to enter. He is 18 years of age and a priest.

Also 18 and holding the office of priest is David Sturt, the ward Instruc-

tor director. The other winner, Orlandina Bonavita, 17, is the Primary secretary for the ward.

The three members of the Payneham Ward hope to make use of their prizes—part scholarships to the Church College of Hawaii.

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